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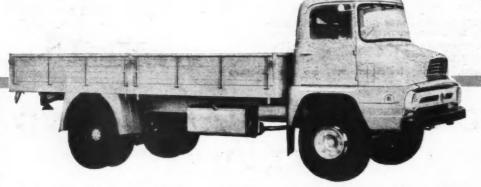
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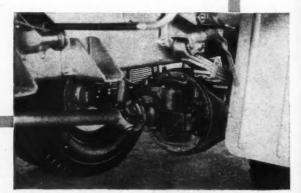


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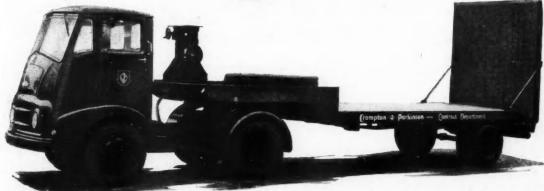
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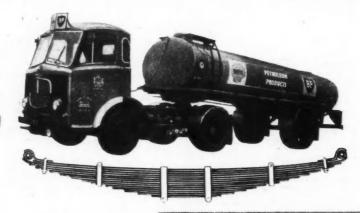
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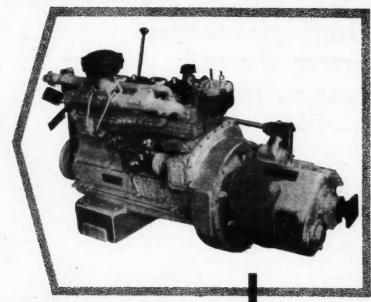
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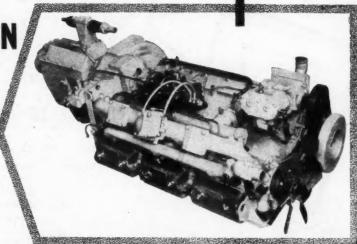
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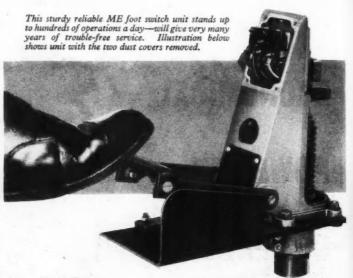
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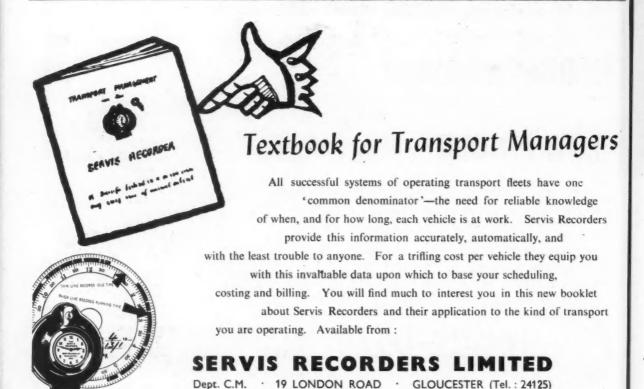


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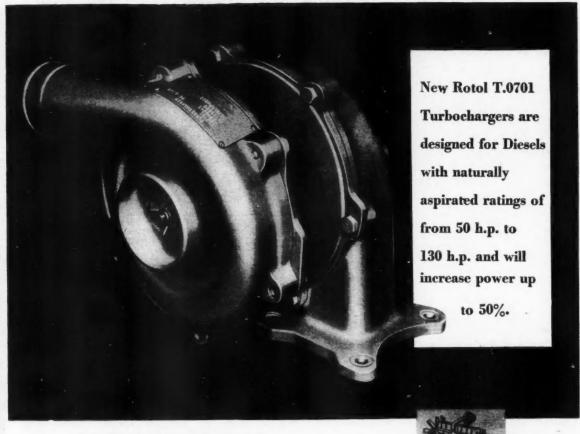
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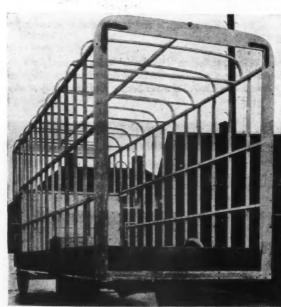
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Smaller Makers in Co-operation

with Important Users

WO weeks ago an exclusive road test report was published in The Commercial Motor dealing with a 4,000-gal.

articulated spirit tanker fitted with air suspension. The test made it clear that many of the advantages claimed for air suspension were to be found in this vehicle, particularly with regard to the reduction of unladen weight, which made it possible to transport a quantity of petrol on three axles which hitherto had required a four-axled chassis. The stability also of the vehicle was found to be quite remarkable, whilst the braking system and weight distribution made it possible to obtain stopping distances appreciably less than would be expected from a vehicle carrying a liquid load running at 20 tons gross vehicle weight.

Although much credit must be paid to the individual manufacturers who built this interesting vehicle, the true credit for the origination of the design belongs to the transport manager of the oil company who are operating it—a man well known in the industry for his foresight, energy, and willingness to enter new and unexplored spheres of design and operation. The British commercial vehicle industry has good cause to be grateful for men such as he, for without them it would be impossible for manufacturers to put into practice ideas which, although offering numerous operating and economic advantages on paper, would not necessarily be acceptable in the first place to the majority of operators merely because they represented something different and untried.

Breeding Grounds for Design

Large transport concerns, most of them admittedly operating C-licensed fleets, but including such undertakings as British Road Services, possibly have greater need than the average haulier for the more specialized types of vehicle, and it is these that provide an ideal breeding ground for new technical approaches. Those in charge of such fleets, therefore, inevitably study technical advances reported from other parts of the world, until eventually a design feature appears which they appreciate could solve a problem or simplify an existing situation.

Undoubtedly, it is chiefly the makers with relatively. small weekly outputs who can undertake such liaison with those operators who require vehicles fitted with new

types of equipment. The larger producers, in addition to having their own highly developed research and experimental organizations, can scarcely afford

to devote considerable time and labour to developing one or two specialized vehicles for which there might not be a large order, particularly when such a number of vehicles might well represent less than 1 per cent. of their total weekly output. Only when an order for several hundred vehicles is likely to be placed can they undertake research into a new line of thought suggested by an operator.

The smaller makers, however, because their production is geared to a slower pace and because, in many cases, much of their production consists for the most part of assembly, with little or no component manufacture, can devote more time to such specialized projects with less disruption of their normal programme. As a result of this both they and the operators gain valuable experience with new devices-experience also shared by the makers of the devices themselves.

Service Gives Quicker Tests

This development work under actual service conditions must invariably lead to the particular product reaching a satisfactory design state far more quickly than if it had had to be tested under the artificial conditions obtaining in the laboratory and on the test track. Many of the larger operators, indeed, undertake a considerable amount of research work into such new vehicles themselves and are thus able to build up a valuable store of technical knowledge which could be put at the disposal of the manufacturers.

Many of the more outstanding vehicles to be seen on the roads of this country exist solely because of the work put into the formulation of their design by the heads of transport concerns, and it is happily becoming an increasing feature of our industry that more and more manufacturers and operators-in both the goods and passenger spheres—are beginning to work more closely together. This has, of course, been a feature of the American scene for some years, and through the enterprise of a certain section of American operators has arisen the successful application of such technical novelties as automatic gearboxes, air-suspension systems and tilt cabs.

Many are the schemes which are under way in this country for quite drastically different vehicles, and in a considerable number of cases such vehicles are to be manufactured by one or other of the smaller concerns. As in the past, these new ideas, many of which are at the moment only at the drawing-board stage, cannot fail to produce useful data for future design work. Such features as air suspension, independent-front-suspension systems (some incorporating air suspension), automatic transmissions, disc brakes, semi-trailer couplings, and practical cab designs which give maximum driver comfort, visibility and engine accessibility, will be perfected only through the efforts and, indeed, courage of those operators who can afford the time and money necessary for their full development and are not afraid to take chances in the interests of the industry.

Continental Coach Design

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WITHOUT taking into consideration any question as to the dimensions of passenger vehicles built on the Continent, many present interesting features, some of which, however, would not meet our constructional requirements. This applies particularly to the seating arrangements in many passenger vehicles. In the majority there is an intrusion of one or several seats into the entrance or exit gangways.

To overcome this problem there are many types of seat, or pairs of seats, arranged to hinge and sometimes fold. This may involve even partially lifting and pushing back a pair and, necessarily, some form of locking device must be released, and must be capable of being operated from both inside and outside the vehicle. Admittedly, this may not be difficult, but might well prove awkward in an emergency, and does not conform with our ideas of safety.

It is quite common also to slide seats into the centre

gangway when travelling, to provide more room and comfort to passengers. To give greater accommodation even flap seats are often provided, which fill the gangway when in position.

On the other hand, great attention is usually given to comfort, almost all seats having adjustable backs and, in certain cases, the seats themselves also slide forward to

afford a reclining position.

The comfort of the driver obviously receives great attention, and many and varied are the designs of seat for him. Some must be hinged over to facilitate access, and most have separate controls for turning, adjusting to height, and sliding to adjust for pedal reach. In several types the seat is mounted on a tubular base carried in a stout socket and provided with one or more nipples for lubrication.

In general, however, Continental bodywork is most

attractive and soundly constructed.

Passing Comments

Improvers for Light-oil Fuels

MANY people are aware of the widespread use of additives in lubricating oils, but few realize that chemical improvers must be included in present-day petrols to cope with the performance of the modern high-compression engine. Speaking to the Institute of Petroleum in London recently, Mr. C. G. Tresidder gave a concise survey of the gasoline additives commonly in use and their functions in improving engine performance.

Widely recognized for its anti-knock tetraethyl-lead had been available since 1923. A problem which had to be overcome with this compound was exhaustvalve failure, caused by corrosive attack from the leaded-fuel gas condensates. This had been overcome by the addition of lead-scavenging compounds and changes in

engine design.

In addition to tetraethyl-lead, many present-day light-oil fuels contained one or more supplementary chemical substances, including some phosphorous compounds, which were variously aimed at reducing ice formation inside carburetters, preventing uncontrolled ignition resulting from incandescent deposits in the combustion chamber, checking misfiring of sparking plugs due to a build-up of lead on the electrodes and dispersing rust in fuel systems.

Fade Fades

WHEN the Bedford J3 low-loading 4-tonner was roadtested (The Commercial Motor, December 12, 1958) serious brake fade occurred in descending the 3-mile gradient of Bison Hill in neutral at 20 m.p.h. with the foot brake applied. The Vauxhall engineers and John F. Moon, who tested the vehicle, were greatly surprised, but could

not explain the phenomenon.

It is now known that the Raybestos moulded facings fitted as standard to the vehicle require an appreciably longer period of bedding-in than the facings formerly used. Some 2,500-3,000 miles' running is necessary for really successful operation. When the same lorry was recently tested again under identical conditions with the facings fully bedded-in, a "crash" stop from 20 m.p.h. after the descent produced a Tapley meter reading of 86 per cent., which is, if anything, slightly higher than the maximum Tapley meter figure obtained during the original test with cold drums.

Mobile Telephone Exchanges Meet Need

BRITONS whose names have been for months on the G.P.O. waiting list for telephones may well envy what a private-enterprise telephone service in the United States is offering its customers. As in Britain, new housing estates and towns are mushrooming all over America, and until recently were being built much faster than was the supply of telephone equipment. Now, however, the Bell Telephone Co. have solved the problem with what they term the Mobile Community Dial Office."

This is a telephone exchange on wheels fitted with the same equipment as any permanent exchange, and comprising an air-conditioned semi-trailer van built by the Highway Trailer Co., of Egerton, Wisconsin. It is of all-steel construction, 37 ft. long, 12½ ft. high and 8 ft. wide, and can

handle service for 800 telephones.

For its first trial a concrete slab was laid on land near a new housing area and the van hauled to this site. There it was set up on a frame and the wheels removed. By the time were identi a clos Alt

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on land near is site. There oved. By the time tenants moved into their new houses their telephones were installed and working. A few months later a second identical trailer joined the first and was connected to it by a closed passageway, thus serving another 800 instruments.

Although these mobile exchanges were designed primarily for a particular temporary service, it has now been realized that they lend themselves easily to other emergency use. For instance, they can be of great value to supplement regular exchanges in the event of crisis, or disasters of one form or another, and even for civil defence.

Plastics Tilt-cab Design

THE plastics tilt cab employed by the American White Motor Co., and described in *The Commercial Motor* dated January 9, 1959, formed the subject of a paper read recently to the Society of Automotive Engineers by Mr. J. R. Hammond of the Molded Fiber Glass Body Co. In addition to being the first all-plastics cab to go into production in America, this design is also interesting because it shows that the additional strength reputed to be necessary with a tilt-cab design can be obtained from the use of plastics mouldings.

The cab is built up from 36 moulded parts made in

matched metal dies, steel-plate dies being used for shallow parts and alloy-iron castings for deep parts. Steam is used to heat these dies to temperatures of 225 degrees F. to 275 degrees F. and hydraulic presses provide pressures of 100 to 150 p.s.i. on the moulded surface. The cab floor structure, which includes the entire engine compartment is a one-piece moulding 96 in. wide, 50 in. long and 30 in. deep (detachable cowl panels are unnecessary with a tilt cab), and this is ribbed to increase rigidity and to keep mounting bolts below floor level.

Use of reinforced plastics has permitted the moulding of several other one-piece parts which would have been difficult to produce in sheet metal without exorbitant tooling costs, thus the roof panel and the entire rear panel are each one-piece mouldings, as are the door frames and

the front-quarter panels.

Colour impregnation is not used for this cab, three reasons being quoted: difficulty in matching colours from different runs; sanding necessary at joints would destroy the colour finish and leave a poor appearance and repairs would be made more difficult because of the impracticability of matching the basic colour with the patching material.

One Hears—

That politicians often rush in where statesmen fear to tread.

That some of their "rushes" make fine holidays.

That, in one way and another, fogs this year are said to have cost Glasgow £20m.

That we have yet to hear what they have cost London.

That the powder-pistol device to discourage illegal "lifters" of wages and other moneys will undoubtedly give them the "blues."

That it will be all up with fair fare economy if the oneman busmen succeed in their demand for a 45 per cent. increase in wages.

Complaints from school-crossing patrols that parents park their cars so near as to obscure the approaches to these.

That parking less than, say, 30 yards on either side of such crossings should be prohibited.

That Spectracoat is a process in which thin precision coatings are applied to optical lenses to permit them to measure various radiations.

That such treated lenses, used in a variety of instruments can measure rate of wear, control of temperature, and have many other interesting applications.

That the U.S. Government are taking practical steps to encourage small businesses.

That the latest law permits them to make grants for study, research, and advice concerning the managing, financing and operation of such businesses, and the development or distribution of technical and statistical information to help them.

The remark that our Socialists should take an example from this instead of threatening greatly to extend State ownership.

Of an American synthetic-rubber-and-nylon lorry "tarpaulin" which is translucent and only a third of the weight of a conventional tarpaulin.

That possibly this material will counter the criticism of some users of nylon tarpaulins concerning their wear being more rapid than with those made of grown fibres.



"Course I gave a signal. I shouted 'fore' when I drove off!"

TANKER CASE: JUDGE SUMS

Prosecution Claim Company Realized Acid Runs Were Impossible: Defence Blame Organization

WHEN Bulk Liquid Transport, Ltd., undertook the transport of acid from Billingham to Grimsby they were fully aware that they were taking on a contract which could not be done by drivers in the permitted hours. Consequently, everyone connected with the operation knew that the law was being broken. This was submitted by Mr. R. A. Lyons, Q.C., at Leeds Assizes, when he made his final speech for the prosecution against the company and five officials, who denied conspiracy and inducing perjury. (The Commercial Motor, last week.)

At the close of the case on Monday, Mr. Justice Donovan said he would study his notes the following day and sum up

to the jury on Wednesday.

There were five charges of conspiracy concerning drivers' hours, rest and records against the company and the five officials-B. Skelley, manager, L. I. Hickson, assistant manager, C. Kershaw, foreman, C. Burkenshaw, clerk, and W Jennings, foreman driver. Skelley and Kershaw also faced two counts of inducing perjury by encouraging drivers to enter false information on documents, together with alternative counts of aiding and abetting.

Earlier, Skelley had said that he joined Bulk Liquid Transport in December, 1956, and was sent to their Manchester depot. He returned to the Gildersome headquarters about November 12, 1957, and until then had had nothing to do

with vehicle operations.

"Administration in Chaos"

He found the administration at Gildersome in a state of chaos. In particular, drivers' log sheets had not been checked for five months. He knew of the sulphuric acid contract for the Billingham-Grimsby run and had been told some drivers were doing it without difficulty in 12 hours and others would not. Eight vehicles were double-shifting on the job.

Answering Mr. Lyons, he said that on checking log sheets for three months he found driver Smith completely wrong after comparisons with the Servis card of Murray, his co-driver. Having had complaints about slacking he decided to dismiss Smith, but before doing so called him to Gildersome on the night of November 27 and left the log sheets for him with a note to set out the correct

times

Although he knew the traffic examiner was due again the next day, these events had nothing to do with it. He had not had dealings with the other drivers in this way and had not sought to get any log sheets "cooked."

It was untrue to say that payments were not made on the times shown on the log sheets because they were false. The weekly time sheets had been destroyed on his instructions before it was realized that a prosecution was likely.

Mr. Lyons pointed out that log sheet after log sheet, including those checked by Skelley after alteration, showed exactly A32

12 hours' work, but were utterly wrong against the times proved by the witnesses. The only weekly time sheet produced in evidence showed discrepancies with the log sheets. The company's payroll showed that on an occasion when Smith's log sheets showed 57 hours in a week, he was paid for 118. Similarly, Craven was paid for 102 hours instead of 60.

Skelley replied that it was possible that some of the total was back pay. Asked why log sheets for Smith, Jones, Murray and Botterill were not produced until specifically asked for by the traffic examiner on his third visit, Skelley said the sheets were originally asked for under vehicle numbers and it took time to sort

them out into name order.

Questioning Hickson, Mr. Lyons suggested that the one man responsible for policy was Mr. Peter Slater, an extremely successful man, who, starting as a lorry driver, now verged on being a millionaire. A very determined man, who did not know the meaning of the word "impossible," he was responsible for contracts and instituted the 12-hour shifts for the Billingham run.

False Times Alleged

Mr. Hickson replied that all he knew was that Mr. Slater was in control. Asked to explain how Botterill came to work 95 hours in a six-day week, he said the organization was hopelessly inefficient at the time-many of the drivers put in false hours. Botterill had done so previously when they both worked for Harold Wood, Ltd. He engaged him again because Bulk Liquid Transport were desperate for drivers, as work was coming in so rapidly. More than £300,000 was spent on new vehicles in 1957, and the company had more than their share of "dead heads" amongst the drivers.

Closing the company's defence, Mr. F. H. Lawton, Q.C., submitted that the raising of the speed limit for heavy vehicles, with the inevitable desire of employers to speed up schedules, involving loss of pay to drivers, was pregnant with trouble for Bulk Liquid Transport.

Disgruntled drivers were unreliable witnesses, and, of those called for the prosecution, Smith had himself said that he had a reputation as a trouble-maker. Cluderay had stated that the unions were telling drivers to keep speeds down unless there was a wage increase, and drivers were thus refusing to do a journey in the time that previously had been regular. The Servis cards produced showed

driving time well under 11 hours, and the question of exceeding the speed limit was not necessarily connected with con-piracy. Averaging 25 m.p.h., the journey could easily be done in permitted hours.

Because of rapid expansion, paperwork had been neglected and this, coupled with drivers' notorious slackness in keeping records up to date, had led to Skelley being brought in to tighten up discipline.

Mr. Lawton said suggestions had been made that Peter Slater, Ltd., and Bulk Liquid Transport were one and the same company, but whereas Mr. Peter Slater and his wife owned 90 per cent. of the shares of Peter Slater, Ltd., Mr. Slater had a mere 19 per cent. of the Bulk Liquid Transport shares.

Prosecution's Case

Mr. Lyons submitted that there was a host of indications that Bulk Liquid Transport had ridden rough-shod over the law and, to cover up, had resorted to large-scale falsification of records. The prosecution relied on the large number of hours it had been proved that drivers had worked, the making out of new log sheets, the withholding of certain documents from the traffic examiner, and the evidence concerning distances and vehicles used.

The figures on many of the log sheets produced could have been rubber-stamped, he said. For example, Brook was shown as doing 16 out of 17 journeys in exactly 12 hours, yet evidence of arrival and departure at Billingham and Grimsby did not agree with the log-sheet times. A log sheet by Smith, one of those made out on the night of November 27, showed 12 hours exactly, finishing at Gildersome. In fact, Smith stayed the night at Derby en route from Howden to Birmingham, and he was on the road for 16 or 17 hours.

"Everyone Knew"

Mr. Lyons suggested that the company took en a contract which they knew full well could not regularly be done in the permitted hours and, consequently, all concerned knew that the law was being broken. Striking corroboration of the drivers' evidence was the fact that they were being paid for an average of 16 hours a day.

Mr. T. A. Fearnley-Whittingstall, Q.C., for the five officials, submitted that there was no evidence of a deliberate plot. The whole case had been focused on one run during a period in November, but Bulk Liquid Transport had more than 60 drivers and a number of contracts at that time. All these men had other work to do. Kershaw and Burkenshaw were employed by Peter Slater, Ltd., so they had little interest in the Billingham run. The only evidence against Skelley was that he was continually asking why drivers could not do the run in the timethe very opposite to encouraging them to work longer hours.

The drivers had concocted their records, he claimed, not only to deceive the Licensing Authority, but also their

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Common Practice to Remove Axles for Registration, Tribunal Told

A XLES have been removed from hundreds of eight-wheelers by K. and B. Motors, Ltd., Newcastle upon Tyne, in order to make the vehicles into six-wheelers for weighing and registration purposes. The axles have then been replaced after the grant of a licence. Mr. Edward Waters, K. and B.'s managing director, revealed this in London, on Tuesday, when the Transport Tribunal heard an appeal by Mr. George Allinson, Etherley Dene, Northumberland.

Mr. Waters, a voluntary witness, said the practice he had described was common among commercial-vehicle dealers and was perfectly legal so long as the vehicles were redeclared for taxation purposes when the axles were replaced.

After being told that a ruling was anxiously awaited, the Tribunal reserved their decision on the appeal, which was against the revocation of Mr. Allinson's special A licence by the Northern Licensing Authority.

Mr. T. H. Campbell Wardlaw, for Mr. Allinson, said the appeal was made no the grounds that the Authority had no power to revoke the licence, and that his decision was harsh. In 1955, he said, Mr. Allinson purchased a special-A vehicle of 5 tons 4 cwt. unladen from the British Transport Commission, which he operated until June, 1956. He then approached K. and B. for an eightwheeler, and arranged to sell his original vehicle in part exchange. Licensing matters were left to K. and B.

On July 9, 1956, a Guy Invincible was registered by Mr. Waters with an unladen weight of 5 tons 3 cwt. On July 11, Mr. Allinson applied for a variation and he took delivery two days later when the vehicle was an eight-wheeler. It appeared that between July 9 and 15 an additional axle was added, and on July 25 Mr. Allinson redeclared the weight as 7 tons 14 cwt.

Revocation Proceedings

In 1958, he read of revocation proceedings for increases in weight of special-A vehicles, so he took legal advice. As a result, on August 13, 1958, he applied for an A licence for a vehicle of 7 tons 15 cwt. unladen, in exchange for his special A licence.

Mr. Allinson made a full disclosure before the Road and Rail Negotiating Committee, and a B.T.C. objection was withdrawn. On September 20, the Northern Licensing Authority sent him form TV30, saying the application would be granted and asking for the registration book.

Later, however, he was notified that because of discrepancies in the weight, a public inquiry would be held. After three hearings, the special A licence was revoked, but an A licence for a vehicle of 5 tons 3 cwt. unladen was granted. This had not yet been taken up as it meant buying another lorry.

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The appeal, added Mr. Wardlaw, was of great importance to the transport industry because the manœuvre of increasing the unladen weight of special-A vehicles after registration had been

adopted by many hauliers throughout Great Britain, so the Tribunal's decision was anxiously awaited.

Sir Hubert Hall, president, said the first issue was whether Mr. Waters was telling the truth when the application form was made out and, secondly, if that were so, was any later increase in weight immaterial? If Mr. Wardlaw's view of the law was right, the weight of ordinary A or B vehicles could be altered after a grant had been made.

Mr. Wardlaw said this was the view held by the Licensing Authorities themselves. He quoted from a letter written by the clerk to the Northern Authority, which said that A and B vehicles were specified only by their index numbers, and there was nothing in law which compelled notification of changes in weight during the currency of a licence.

Eight Same as Four?

Mr. N. L. C. Macaskie, Q.C.: "Would you regard an eight-wheeler as the same as a four-wheeler?"

Mr. Wardlaw: "Yes, if it is the same vehicle."

Mr. Waters said in evidence that Mr. Allinson approached him in 1956 for an eight-wheeler and, when it was found that he was licensed for a four-wheeler of 5 tons 4 cwt., he was told that it was not possible to produce one at that weight to carry 15 tons. A Guy eight-wheeler chassis-cab weighing 6½ tons was delivered on June 6.

One of the two rear axles was removed, reducing it to approximately 5 tons, and a body was fitted making it operable as a six-wheeler. It was then weighed and the application form made out. The axle was replaced between July 11 and 13. Hundreds of axles had been removed and replaced in that way.

Mr. E. Robey, for K. and B., said Mr. Waters had appeared quite voluntarily to help the Tribunal in view of the fact that the Licensing Authority was proposing to take away Mr. Allinson's livelihood. The Authority would have been greatly helped if K, and B. Motors had been asked to give evidence at the final hearing, but they were not.

Mr. Wardlaw submitted that when the application form for the vehicle was made out it showed the correct weight at that time. The fact that it was intended to alter the weight immediately did not constitute a false statement.

He would, however, draw a distinction between unladen weight and type of vehicle. A change of type might imply a change of intention. As the law stood, changes in weight could be reviewed only at the re-grant of the licence.

MORE APPEALS HEARD

THREE appeals heard by the Transport Tribunal in London on Monday are reported on page 260.

Smith-Walker Haulage Merger Proposed

T is reported in well-informed circles that negotiations are likely to be completed next month for the purchase by J. and A. Smith of Maddiston, Ltd., Falkirk, of the long-distance haulage business of H. L. Walker, Ltd., Thornaby-on-Tees.

Early this year Walker's decided to specialize solely in long-distance transport, and about six weeks ago they sold their nine tippers to D. Tarren (Transport), Ltd., Thornaby-on-Tees, who are tipper specialists. They are now arranging to assign their fleet of 23 heavy long-distance vehicles of 10-15-ton capacity to J. and A. Smith, whose wide-spread haulage activities were fully described in *The Commercial Motor* on December 19, 1958.

HAULIER APPEALED TOO LATE, TRIBUNAL DECIDE

A HAULIER who said he had been put out of business by having his A licence revoked was told in London, on Tuesday, that the Transport Tribunal had no power to hear his appeal because it had not been lodged within the specified period of one month.

Mr. William Stubbs, Norfolk Road, Penrith, wanted to appeal against the Northern Licensing Authority's decision to revoke a one-vehicle A licence. On his behalf, Mr. T. H. Campbell Wardlaw asked the Tribunal to extend

On his behalf, Mr. T. H. Campbell Wardlaw asked the Tribunal to extend the time limit. It was a matter of great importance, he declared, because, unlike the majority of other revocations in the area, this one had not been suspended. Mr. Stubbs was now out of business and the money he had invested was fast disappearing.

The grounds of the appeal would be that the Licensing Authority had no power to revoke the licence and that the decision was harsh, he added.

After a retirement, the president, Sir Hubert Hull, said the Tribunal had no power to depart from the time limit. However, they had gathered that the point which the case raised was also raised in some other cases on which they had to give decisions. If these cases succeeded there would be something to be said for the Licensing Authority taking the view that he should withdraw the revocation. On the other hand, if the other cases failed there would be no substance in Mr. Stubbs' appeal.

MR. A. T. EVANS RETIRING

THE impending retirement of Mr. A. T. Evans, director and general manager of United Automobile Services, Ltd., was announced this week by the Tilling Group. He will be succeeded on August 1 by the company's secretary and assistant general manager, Mr. B. T. Pratt.

Men in the News

Col. E. G. Dutfield has been re-elected chairman of the Portsmouth Section of the Traders' Road Transport

MR. R. W. HONEYWELL has become Leicester area representative for Crofts (Engineers), Ltd., manufacturers of power transmission equipment.

ARCHIBALD LAW has been appointed transport manager of Hamilton Co-operative Society, Ltd., in succession to Mr. JAMES WILSON.

MR. F. T. CHEEK has been elected chairman of the Isle of Wight Sub-area of the Road Haulage Association. Vicechairman is MR. M. S. CROUCHER.

MR. J. T. MASTERTON, managing director of Brown Brothers, Ltd., since 1951, has now been appointed to the additional office of deputy chairman of the Brown Brothers' Group.

MR. J. DELICATE has been re-elected chairman of the Coventry Area of the Traders' Road Transport Association, with Mr. K. P. BEARD as vice-chairman. Mr. P. Moore is secretary.

MR. REGINALD GEORGE GROUT, chairman and managing director of the General Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., will succeed Maj.-Gen. G. N. Russell as president of the Institute of Transport.

MR. JOHN H. WATTS, for many years managing director of the United Transport Co., Ltd., has now succeeded the late MR. GUY BOWN as chairman. MR. ARTHUR J. WATTS becomes vicechairman, and the new managing director is Mr. D. LLOYD JONES.

MR. E. SELLARS, area accountant at Derby for the Kennings Motor Group, has become assistant manager for Kennings, Ltd., at the Leadmill Road, Sheffield, depot. Mr. E. R. FITHIAN, formerly trade sales representative, is now commercial-vehicle sales manager at Leadmill Road.

MR. LESLIE J. Cox has become chief of the public relations department of Wolf Electric Tools, Ltd. He joined the company 13 years ago and has been successively manager of the export, home sales and publicity departments. Mr. EDWARD PATTERSON has been appointed technical liaison officer for the company. He joined Wolf in 1956 as technical and market research adviser.

MR. R. G. SMITH has been appointed chief designer of the commercial vehicle division of the Austin Motor Co., Ltd. MR. F. M. LINCOLN has become chief designer for Morris Commercial Cars, Ltd. He was previously chief development engineer. MR. H. W. NOBLE is now chief experimental engineer for the British Motor Corporation's commercial vehicle division, and Mr. L. AINSLEY is chief proving engineer.

MR. P. H. LEYTON has been appointed director of engineering of Black and Decker, Ltd.

MR. J. E. GRIFFITHS has been elected chairman of the Road Transport Section of Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, succeeding Mr. W. McCREADY. Mr. L. J. HOPKINS becomes vice-chairman.

MR. W. M. HEYNES, director and chief engineer of Jaguar Cars, Ltd., has been awarded the 1958 James Clayton prize of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers for his contribution to the design of the modern vehicle.

Mr. F. Garrood was last week elected chairman of the livestock hauliers' functional group of the Road Haulage Association, in succession to Mr. L. DUGDALE. MR. E. E. WITCHARD, MR. E. W. WATTS and Mr. S. PEERS were elected vice-chairmen.

BRIG. R. F. E. STONEY, deputy directorgeneral of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, has become director-general, following the retirement of Maj.-Gen. B. K. Young. Mr. R. F. E. HOWARD-HODGES, head of the Public Safety Division, succeeds Brig. Stoney.

MR. W. R. REES DAVIES, M.P., has been elected president of the National Conference of Road Transport Clearing Houses. Vice-presidents are Mr. J. F ARCHBOLD, MR. H. FIRTH and MR. JOHN MILLER. Area chairmen elected are: London and Home Counties, MR. A. G. LAVERS; North Eastern, Mr. S. MARSH; North Western, Mr. MAURICE KAYE; East Midland, MR. J. E. KIRBY; West Midland, MR. H. T. EYRE.

Many Losing Routes Despite Economies

DESPITE careful pruning of unremunerative mileage, the Devon General Omnibus and Touring Co., Ltd., still run 72 per cent. of their routes and 40 per cent, of their mileage on revenue which is below the average operating cost. This was pointed out by Mr. W. T. James, chairman, at the company's annual meeting, last week, when he called on the Government to "substitute deeds for words and relieve our industry of its penal taxation.

Many of the non-paying routes were serving sparsely populated areas, he explained, and the Government would do something about the situation if they were really sincere in their avowed intention to maintain the present pattern of public transport.

In the search for economies, the company had introduced a further 17 oneman buses during the year, and tribute had to be paid to the staff for their realism in appreciating that manpower economies were essential on lean routes if the maximum amount of mileageand maximum employment-was to be maintained.

The Minister of Transport had announced that he was in favour of increasing bus speeds to 40 m.p.h., but this did not go far enough. Mr. James thought buses should be put on the same footing as cars so that an even flow of traffic could be maintained.

Devon General had bought 30 new vehicles during the year at a cost of £130,000, he added. Of these, 20 were single-deck buses and the remainder

Marathon Case Has Ended At Last

T has taken well over a year, but at last the case of Liverpool haulier Mr. G. V. Senior has finally been closed. At Liverpool, last week, Mr. W. B. Shelton, deputizing for the North Western Licensing Authority, Mr. F. Williamson, granted Mr. Senior a renewal of his A licence and B licence.

The case was last reported in The Commercial Motor on December 12, 1958, but there had been several previous accounts-Mr. Senior first made his application in December, 1957.

Mr. E. A. Whitehead, on his behalf, gave a summary of the case history last week and said that all the figures and official documents required were now in the Licensing Authority's possession. Mr. Senior wanted his 31-ton A-licence articulated outfit to have a normal user of meat and general goods, Liverpool and district, London and the Southern Counties."

In evidence, he said he was a member of an organization called United Carriers, Ltd., and was under contract to carry meat for them. In addition, his regular traffic included paper cartons and containers, machinery, oils, furniture and dried foods.

Objecting for the British Transport Commission, Mr. A. W. Balne said it was common knowledge that the meat haulage situation in Liverpool was "deplorable." Everybody's traffic, including that of British Railways, had slumped considerably, so it was difficult to see why Mr. Senior expected a demand for longdistance meat haulage. Mr. Balne added that although the case had gone on for so long this was the first time all the relevant material had been available for examination.

Mr. Whitehead replied that an amended normal user of "meat and general goods. Liverpool and district, and containers to London and the Southern Counties would be acceptable. However, if this were granted another licence would be needed for furniture and household effects, which had been the main traffic for the B-licence vehicle. This would mean amending the existing B licence.

Mr. Shelton granted the one-vehicle A-licence renewal with the amended normal user, together with a renewal of the B licence for "general goods, excluding meat, within 15 miles of base; furni-ture and household effects within 25 miles of base."

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I.o.T. Now Has 10,000 Members

NOW 40 years old, the Institute of Transport has 10,000 members, giving people in various forms of transport the opportunity to get together. This was stated by Viscount Simon at week's annual dinner of the

Paying tribute to the retiring president, Maj.-Gen. G. N. Russell, he declared that whether or not members agreed with the circumstances which resulted in Maj.-Gen. Russell getting his position with British Road Services, there was no doubt that he had made a good job of it.

Maj.-Gen. Russell said it was important that the Institute should encourage men of vision—those who could take risks and face changes. The Institute could play its part in encouraging young men to become properly qualified in the basic principles of transport, but attendances at discussions had not been good.

Despite nationalization or denationalization, he added, everyone in transport should get together, speak frankly, and understand one another.

COVENTRY ROUND CHANGE

THE date of the Coventry round of the Lorry Driver of the Year competition has been changed to June 14.

B.R.S. "30" Solution in Sight

ALTHOUGH agreement between British Road Services and the union between side on terms for the operation of heavy goods vehicles at 30 m.p.h. was reached nearly two years ago (The Commercial Motor, June 14, 1957), the implementation of the scheme has proved difficult in practice.

It is believed that the protracted talks are now leading to a solution that is acceptable to both sides, although a spokesman for B.R.S. refused to disclose

The basis of the original agreement was that the working day would be reduced from 11 to 10 hours, without loss of earnings. To meet the conditions arising from the higher speed limit, there was to be a bonus payment of 15 per cent. added to the basic rates. The men would receive 55 hours' pay for 50 hours' work and the bonus would be additional to the basic rate for 44 hours.

These arrangements were in respect of vehicles of over 5-ton capacity, but the effect on drivers of smaller vehicles has been one of the outstanding features of the recent discussions. Other matters still being thrashed out include the upgrading of drivers when promoted to heavier vehicles, and arrangements for night working.

One-man Loading in Double-deck Car Transporter

CAPABLE of being loaded with four cars within 20 minutes and unloaded within 15 minutes, a car transporter having ramp controls so disposed that the operative can use them without leaving the seat of the car he is shifting, has been developed by Burtonwood Engineering Co., Ltd., North East Industrial Road, Welwyn, Herts. The first production model, based on a Commer Avenger chassis, was demonstrated on Tuesday.

The sub-frame is a one-piece welded structure, and the tracks and walkways are covered with expanded metal. The upper deck, providing 5 ft. 2½ in. clearance above the lower deck, has two longitudinals of V-section with the tracks inset, and is supported by six tubular columns and the two masts of the rear elevating assembly. The walkways are cantilevered out from the tracks.

Both sets of tracks are of channel 1 ft. 11 in. wide at 4-ft. 5-in. centres: this provides sufficient latitude to carry the smallest and largest cars in current quantity production. The height of the lower tracks is 3 ft. 8 in. (with the vehicle unladen) and of the upper, 9 ft. 6 in. When fully loaded the outfit has a centre of gravity about 5 ft. above the ground.

Actuation of the hydraulic system for the ramp from its folded position starts with the lowering of stabilizing jacks normally retracted in the masts. This releases the pins which take the weight of the ramp when not in use. The ramp is pivoted approximately 3 ft, from its forward end.

There are two main lifting rams within the mast structure and two rams of similar size between the masts and the ramp side members for tilting and folding the assembly.

With the jacks in position the ramp is let down from the height of the lower deck to about 2 ft. from the ground and then tilted so that the rear touches the ground, a movement which lets down the end chocks. The car is then placed on the assembly, which is next levelled and elevated to either the lower or upper

Movements of the ramp are controlled by the driver from the car by depressing the switches attached to the side member of the ramp. These switches may be transferred quickly from one side to the other, according to whether left- or righthand-drive cars are being handled.

When the ramp is elevated a little from the ground the tilting controls are inoperative-a safety feature. There is a duplicate set of controls on the near-side mast for manual operation.

The hydraulic feed is common to the jacks and lift rams, and the jacks consistently support 90 per cent. of whatever load is on the ramp, thus relieving the chassis of excessive stress.

The vehicle is 30 ft. long, 7 ft. 11 in, wide overall and each deck is 27 ft. long. It can carry cars up to 7 ft. 0½ in. wide and chains are provided for lashing them during transit. Cost of the equipment is

Socialists Will Not Restrict Removers

THREE assurances that the furniture remover as such would not be affected by renationalization were given by Mr. Ernest Davies, Labour M.P. for Enfield East, on Tuesday, at a meeting of the Metropolitan Area of the National Association of Furniture Warehousemen

In discussions within the Labour Party on the future of transport, said Mr. Davies, he had at no time heard it suggested that there should be any change from the principle established under the Transport Act, 1947, whereby furniture removals were classed as an excluded traffic. Only to the extent that furniture removers carried other traffic would there be any question of the curtailment of their activities.

A joint committee of the Labour Party and the T.U.C. were discussing the future of transport and the details had not yet been worked out. It was certain that some haulage businesses would be taken over or restricted, although it would be a mistake to assume that the pattern laid down in the 1947 Act would be followed.

There would have to be some control over the C-licence holder. With certain exceptions, he would have to prove that his goods could be carried most economically in his own vehicles.

In reply to a question, Mr. Davies expressed the opinion that it had been a mistake to exclude British Road Services from licensing under the 1947 Act.

Mr. Davies, who is chairman of the Labour Party Parliamentary Transport Committee, emphasized that he was giving his own views.

NEW DUMPER FROM LEYLAND

An addition to the Leyland range is short-wheelbase Super Comet dumper with a gross rating of 14 tons. The vehicle, known as the 14SC.5R and L (in right- and left-hand-drive forms), has a wheelbase of 9 ft. 10 in. and an overall length of 16 ft. 41 in. The dumper is powered by an oil engine developing 110 b.h.p. The transmission includes a five-speed gearbox and a twospeed axle is offered as an alternative to a hub-reduction axle.

Designed for quarry and site work, for which application no purchase tax is payable, the dumper has a short, stiff frame, with tipping angle of up to 70 degrees. The steel body has a scow end and a cab-roof protecting canopy. For high-angle tipping the body can be lowered hydraulically.

EASING EASTER CONGESTION

To help avoid traffic congestion at Easter, the A.A. and R.A.C. will report trouble spots to the police so that action can be taken immediately. Reports will be made as soon as jams occur, or when traffic begins to slow up.

The A.A. will use spotter aircraft besides mobile radio patrols, and will make special observations so that alternative routes can be suggested when jams begin to build up.

R.H.A. Official Warns C-licensees

THE right of C-licensees to choose the system of transport they prefer was championed last week by Mr. R. Morton Mitchell, chief executive officer of the Road Haulage Association, at the Western Area dinner at Bristol.

Taking his cue from Mr. F. D. Arney, general manager of Port of Bristol Authority, who declared that it was entirely wrong that transport should be made a political shuttlecock, Mr. Morton Mitchell said the Socialists would not be content to take over several thousand haulage vehicles. They intended to restrict C-licensees and in so doing they would alienate the whole of trade and industry. Every operator should do his best to prevent the election of a government that would restrict his business for purely doctrinaire reasons.

Mr. Morton Mitchell announced that the Association's new policy statement would be issued in about a month's time.

Mr. T. D. Corpe demanded immediate action to deal with traffic congestion in Bristol. It was not, he said, a question of removing parked vehicles. A new through route and at least one new bridge were urgently needed.

[Bristol Architects' Forum have evolved a scheme to solve the traffic problem. They propose a pedestrian deck 20 ft. above the Centre, fly-overs, new roads and other innovations at a cost of £41m. They say the scheme can be carried out over 20 years and that with subsidies the cost to the city would be no greater than £13m.1

OBITUARY

WE regret to record the deaths of Mr. PAUL W. LITCHFIELD, MR. ROBERT J. F. HAMM, DR. ANGELO E. VIBERTI, MR. ALBERT JOHN WOODGATE HANCOCK and MR. A. J. WELLS.

Mr. Litchfield, who died in Arizona, aged 83, was the honorary chairman of the Goodyear organization, which he joined in 1900. He became president in 1926.

Mr. Hamm, who was 49, travelled all over the United Kingdom building up container and ferry traffic in the infancy of Northern Ireland Trailers, Ltd.

Dr. Viberti had been managing director and president of Officine Viberti S.p.A., Torino, Italy, since 1946, when he succeeded his father, Candido Viberti, who founded the concern in 1922. Dr Viberti, a comparatively young man, had previously been manager of the concern.

Mr. Hancock, who was 77, was chief designer of the Austin Motor Co., Ltd., from 1919-41. He had been with the company since its earliest days.

Mr. Wells, who died last Sunday at the age of 86, was for many years, until nationalization, senior director of E. Wells and Son, Ltd., London, S.E.16. On denationalization he re-entered transport and was chairman of Wells and Son (London), Ltd., until his death. He was a Freeman of the City of London and a member of the Worshipful Company of Carmen.

PROFIT AND LOSS

Perfecta Motor Equipments, Ltd., £149,651 group Martin Walter, 1.td. £310,702 net profit before 56,037 tax.

Lancashire United Transport, Ltd.: £73.472 net profit after £84,571 tax. Year's dividends 12½ per cent., including 5 per cent. bonus.

,606 net profit after in 1956-57. Year's The Car Mart, Ltd., £126,606 net tax, compared with £108,022 in 1956 dividends 17½ per cent.

T.R.T.A. Reply to **B.T.C.** Complaints

REFERRING to complaints by the British Transport Commission about the carriage of goods in C-licensed vehicles, the annual report of the Traders' Road Transport Association says the Commission "should continue to concentrate upon providing as soon as possible rail freight services of such efficiency that they will attract the traffics for which they are best suited, and in sufficient volume, to the ultimate benefit of all concerned.

"In the meantime, it is suggested that the present situation does not justify the continual criticisms of those traders and industrialists who, in the full knowledge of their transport needs, dispatch their goods by road instead of by rail.'

The Association's annual meeting will be held at the Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, London, S.W.1, on May 5.

ALL TRADERS' TRANSPORT **OUTSIDE SOVIET IS FREE**

REPLYING to a proposal by the National Union of Railwaymen that "there should be some geographical limitation and proof of need" applied to C-licensees, Mr. C. E. Jordan, West Midland divisional chairman of the Traders' Road Transport Association, said in Birmingham on Monday:

"No country this side of the Iron Curtain has imposed any geographical limit on traders' own transport. The main deficit in B.T.C. finances arises in respect of rail passenger train traffic. Does a Socialist Government propose a restriction in the use of private cars or motor coaches?

"The Licensing Authority for the West Midlands has told me verbally that should C-licence holders have to prove need, it would be necessary to quadruple his staff. There are 127,000 goods vehicles in the West Midland Traffic

EMPLOYEES SHARE PROFITS

PROFIT sharing scheme for A employees has been introduced by Martin Walter, Ltd., Folkestone. designers and builders of Utilecon and Dormobile dual-purpose bodywork. The amount payable to each employee is calculated on his wages, and payment will be made every year after the company's annual meeting.

The first pay out will be this year, when employees will share £25,070. This is equal to 6.5 per cent, of basic wages, or about 31 weeks' pay. Existing incentive and bonus schemes will not be affected.

Across Atlantic to Join British Coach

CONTRACT for 56-day tours of A Western Europe carrying American and Canadian passengers has been secured by J. Green and Sons, Ltd., Brierley Hill. Each tour will cover 5,500 miles, and among the countries visited will be France, Spain, Italy, Yugoslavia, Austria, Switzerland. Germany, Belgium and Holland.

The first one will start on July 10, when 37 passengers will join the coach at Southampton after crossing the Atlantic. A special coach will be used. fitted with air conditioning, self-adjusting Pullman seats, radio, an observation roof and inter-communication.

Stan and Joe Green, who run the company, met a representative American and Canadian agencies in Paris seven years ago and he instigated the first inquiry, which has led to the contract being placed. The brothers are also concerned in coal deliveries, besides running a garage and filling station at Brierley Hill.

£23m. TO MODERNIZE GREAT NORTH ROAD

NEARLY £23m. is to be spent in the next 12 months on a number of schemes designed to modernize the Great North Road. About 100 miles of its length will be tackled in 1959-60. In all. some 220 miles between London and Newcastle will be rebuilt to modern standards.

Several of the towns and villages on A1 are to be by-passed. A major scheme concerns Doncaster, which will be bypassed by a road to the west. This will be 15 miles long and will eventually be linked with the London-Yorkshire motorway. The work calls for the construction of 26 bridges, including a six-span bridge over the River Don.

Shorter by-passes will skirt Biggleswade, Stamford, Stevenage and Grantham. Farther north, work is proceeding on the Catterick by-pass.

WALLACE ARNOLD PURCHASE

THE coach concern of J. W. Kitchen and Sons, Pudsey, near Leeds, has been acquired by Wallace Arnold Tours, Ltd., bringing the total number of concerns controlled by the Barr and Wallace Arnold Trust to 18.

Kitchen's have a fleet of 12 coaches operating excursions and tours and express services. Mr. Edward Kitchen will continue to be associated with the organization.

T.R.T.A. ELECTIONS

THE following elections have been made by three areas of the Traders' Road Transport Association:-

Biraningham: Chairman, Mr. W. A. Standley: vice-chairmen, Mr. J. C. H. Aston, Mr. J. A. Edmonds and Mr. G. Morgan: honorary secretary. Mr. F. Assinder.

Potteries: Chairman. Mr. R. B. Williams: vice-chairmen, Mr. A. E. Booth. Mr. L. Buckley and Mr. R. J. H. Nurser; honorary secretary, Mr. H. Harvey.

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B.R.S. Take-over Bid After Election?

O complete the denationalization of To complete the deliationalization British Road Services it will first be necessary to convince the customer that hauliers can do the job better. Trade and industry need tangible proof in addition to a belief in the ideal of private enterprise.

This was pointed out last week by Mr. W. R. Rees-Davies, M.P., president, at the annual luncheon of the National Conference of Road Transport Clearing Houses.

He said that in this modern age of large industrial and trade organizations it was necessary to have some transport units of comparable size. With the return of the present Government at the coming election, he believed confidence in the City would have been sufficiently strengthened to permit the possibility of financing companies large enough to take over units of the B.R.S., though not necessarily within the same geographical structure.

Greater co-operation was required between existing units of transport run by private enterprise-in most large American towns a common rate schedule was operated. A vast increase in inter-Continental trade was expected to develop in the near future, so larger office staffs would be required to deal with the inevitable documentation and foreign correspondence. Small hauliers would be unable, individually, to afford such increases in overhead costs and they must co-operate if they were to compete with B.R.S. for this new traffic.

Mr. H. G. B. Wilson, M.P., claimed that the Labour Government, at the time of nationalization, had set both the Ministry of Transport and the British Transport Commission an impossible task to assess customer requirements on a national scale. Only private enterprise was near enough to the customer to do this successfully.

It was the Government's policy to let the public have the transport they were prepared to pay for, and he would not be surprised if there were a favourable variation in the rate of motor taxation in the next budget.

In the 15th century, Vasco da Gama left Sagres, Portugal, the south-western tip of Europe, to sail to India. The circle of stones he used as a compass formed the starting point for the Bedford trans-Europe caravan, which left the spot last week. The convoy of 14 Bedford trucks and vans is now on a six-month sales tour of Europe, covering 8,000 miles through nine different countries.



Midland "Red" Get Motorway Services

THE West Midland Traffic Commissioners have granted, with some modifications, the application by the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co., Ltd., for express services on the London-Birmingham Motorway, due to be opened next autumn.

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In their original application, the company sought three journeys daily in each direction, except on Christmas Day, with a vehicle allowance of four on any one timing. This was amended during last month's public sitting so that the new service would operate within the overall daily vehicle allowance, except that the existing allowance of three vehicles on Saturdays in February and November would be increased to four.

For the applicants, Mr. E. S. Fay, Q.C. said the proposed service would cater for terminal passengers only, and running time would be cut from 5 hr. 16 min. to 3 hr. 25 min. On the motorway, the cruising speed would be raised from 24 m.p.h. to 50 m.p.h. Fares would be in line with existing scales.

Mr. R. K. Cope, deputy traffic manager, said 51,000 passengers travelled from terminal to terminal in 1958; most could be expected to transfer to the new service.

The company had sought permission to introduce vehicles 45 ft. in length, with seating for 60 passengers, and provided with toilet accommodation. If this type of vehicle were not approved by the Minister of Transport, 37-seat coaches would be converted to 33-seaters with toilet facilities.

The objections of British Railways were largely based on the proposed 6.30 p.m. timing from both London and Birmingham, on the grounds of wasteful competition. However, between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., trains leaving Paddington. Euston and Snow Hill, Birmingham, were not always able to provide seating accommedation for all travellers.

In a written decision, the Commissioners state that the original application, catering for 524,000 passengers a year, was unrealistic. They acknowledge the readiness with which the applicants agreed to operate the new service with the vehicle allowance for the two existing services, and say there is a prima facie case for the grant of the application, but in a limited form.

The vehicle allowance on the 6.30 p.m. timing will be two in each direction. The remainder of the application is granted with the further limitation that not more than four vehicles may be used on the timings of the new service.

Municipal Opportunities

Gateshead Corporation are to buy a tipper.

Leyton Corporation are to buy two tippers, three sweepers and a street orderly.

Salford Watch Committee wish to buy a Thames 12-scater from C. G. Skipper, Ltd.

22-seater from C. G. Skipper, Ltd.
Accrineton Transport Committee seek tenders for
the supply of four double-deckers.
Stockton-on-Tees Corporation are obtaining
tenders for the supply of eight bus bodies.

Pophar Borough Council are to buy a BedfordLacre sweeper from Jessups (Stratford), Ltd.

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Coventry Transport Committee seek to borrow
E124,320 to buy 25 Daimler-M.C.W. double-deckers.

Botton Lighting Committee recommend that Fairclough Bros., Ltd., supply two Austin 5-cwt, vans.

Manchester Health Committee seek to acquire a
Thames livestock vehicle from Manchester Garages,
tarters.

Great Yarmouth Transport Committee are recom-ended to buy six Albion-Willowbrook single-

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Bradford Cleansing Committee wish to obtain nine Karrier 10-12-cu.yd. and two 18-cu.yd. refuse collectors from the Thornton Ensineering Co., Ltd., and two Dennis Paxit Major II refuse collectors from E. Foulds, Ltd. The health committee are to buy a Bedford 10-12-cwt, van.

East Riding County Council require three Thames

Chesterfield Corporation are to buy 10 double-

Bingham Rural District Council are to obtain a refuse collector.

refuse collector.

Isle of Ely County Council are to buy a Bedford
B-type water tender.

Bucks County Council are to buy a number of
lorries, vans and sweepers.

Havant and Waterlooville Urban District Council
seek to obtain two refuse collectors.

Salop Education Committee are to obtain a
15-cwt. pick-up and three dual-purpose vans.

Leicester Transport Department are to purchase wo 72-seat double-deckers with air suspension. Durham County Council are advised to obtain wo 30-cwt, vans from Northern Autoport, Ltd.

Thingoe Rural District Council are to buy two refuse collectors from Messrs, Barclay Motors.

Portsmouth City Council are recommended to buy two B.M.C.-Gibson refuse collectors from Wadham Bros., Ltd.

Weymouth and Meleombe Regis Corporation require a 6-ton tipper, a refuse collector and three 5-cwt. vans.

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Come to Terms

THE battle between Ribble Motor Services, Ltd., and Carlisle Corporation over services provided by Ribble on Carlisle's Harraby Estate, looks like ending in a draw with the two sides coming to terms. The issue began last August, when the Northern Traffic Commissioners put forward a proposal to vary the Harraby routes.

followed representations Carlisle Corporation, who suggested that there should be a circular route on roads specially built for heavy traffic. In October, the company agreed to test the idea for three months, although it would mean cutting the frequency of the service from 15 min. to 30 min.

They reported back to the Commissioners at the end of January, claiming that the experiment had been a failure. Fourteen per cent, of the original traffic into the estate and 121 per cent. out of it had been lost, they pointed out, and there had been 178 complaints, and no

compliments.

Last week the Commissioners were preparing for another episode in the dispute when Mr. F. D. Walker, for Ribble, announced that "certain discussions" had taken place which might lead to a solution. Mr. J. A. T. Hanlon, chairman, adjourned the hearing for an examination of the estate and a few hours later it was stated that the corporation, the company and the Commissioners had discussed proposals which might be acceptable to both parties.

When they have been studied details would be announced, and until then the experimental circular route would

continue to be operated.

SECOND MIRROR URGED FOR DOUBLE-DECKERS

BUS operators in the Greenock area are being asked by the Transport and General Workers Union to fit an extra mirror on the lower deck of their double-This follows several prosecudeckers. tions locally where conductors have been accused of failing to allow passengers suitable time to board and alight.

The Union claim that it is difficult for employees to see the rear platform properly when they are halfway down the bus. Conductors also cannot easily get to the platform at every stop in crowded conditions, they say, so in such circumstances a platform mirror would be an

additional safeguard.

B.M.C. IN RHODESIA

NEW British Motor Corporation A factory at Umtali, Rhodesia, should be producing finished vehicles by the middle of next year, it was announced last week. Building operations will begin in May on a large site now being developed as an industrial area in the town.

With a floor area of 150,000 sq. ft., the factory will be similar to the Corporation's assembly plant at Black-

heath, near Cape Town.

Ribble and Council May Haulier Warned: Do New Road Service to Not Destroy Records

REFUSING a haulier's application for an addition to his two-vehicle B licence last week, Mr. S. W. Nelson, Western Licensing Authority, said all previous operations would have to be investigated. He warned the haulier, Mr. Desmond Trowbridge, Knowle, Bristol, not to destroy any of his records until they had been examined.

Mr. Trowbridge wanted to give up a contract A licence covering work for Rowe Bros. and Co., Ltd., and put the vehicle on B licence instead. He also asked for his B-licence conditions to be amended to "Goods for Rowe Bros. 250 miles, other goods 50 miles.

On his behalf, Mr. T. D. Corpe said the application was first heard last September, but an adjournment followed because uncertified figures had been produced. In January, six witnesses attended, but only one was able to give evidence before the hearing had to be adjourned again. The case was relisted for the following month, but Mr. Trowbridge was ill.

Witnesses had not been brought to the present hearing, despite Mr. Corpe's advice that they were vital, and Mr. Trowbridge had handed in his figures after the court had commenced

Scrutinizing the figures, Mr. Nelson pointed out that those up to August, 1957, were uncertified, but an accountant had verified the period ending August, 1958. These figures showed that the two B-licence vehicles had earned £1,505, of which £1,399 was for work for Rowe

Refusing the application, Mr. Nelson said the figures were far from satisfactory because Mr. Trowbridge had no authority to carry for Rowe Bros. on B licence during that period. The position would have to be carefully examined, and the Authority's officers would require to see all records, so none must be destroyed.

COMPANY TAKEN OVER

THE entire share capital of William Turner (Kismet), Ltd., Sheffield, motor accessory and equipment manufacturers, has been acquired by the Cape Asbestos Group. Mr. William Turner, founder and governing director of the company will remain a director.

Other members of the board will be Mr. R. H. Dent, chairman; Mr. L. C. Dawson, managing director; Mr. T. C. Hale, Mr. R. St. G. Riley and Mr. L. W.

West, sales director.

TRAM REPLACEMENT OPPOSED

THE proposed closure of the Grimsby-Immingham tramway is to be opposed by Grimsby Chamber of Commerce and Shipping on the ground that it would be detrimental to the working of the port of Immingham. The objection will be considered by the East Midlands Transport Users' Consultative Committee on April 24.

It is planned that buses should take the place of trams, running via Great Coates, Healing and Stallingborough, with facilities for carrying small parcels.

the Continent

APPEALING to manufacturers who trade with Continental countries, a direct road service to the Continent is now being operated by Davies, Turner and Co., Ltd., 4 Lower Belgrave Street. London, S.W.1, in conjunction with G. C. Munton.

They have a comprehensive fleet of prime movers and semi-trailers. Consignments are collected from the British exporters' premises, driven to either Tilbury or Dover ferry terminals, and then the semi-trailers are loaded for the Channel crossing. Another tractor is waiting at the Continental port.

Advantages are that freight does not have to be paid for the towing unit, and drivers do not have to make the crossing. Thus, the man responsible for delivery is dealing solely with his native traffic conditions, language and customs

formalities.

There are now three sailings a week in each direction from Tilbury to Antwerp and Dover to Calais respectively. Davies, Turner and Co, are prepared to choose whichever route and sailing time is more convenient for their customers. The adoption of the Carnet T.I.R. procedure allows trailers to pass easily across all frontiers in Europe and, with some advance notice, through the Iron Curtain.

The semi-trailer fleet available comprises a selection of boxvans of 10-ton and 12-16-ton capacity, low-loaders from 10 to 30 tons, a 70-ton heavy unit, a 25-cu.-yd. bulk tipper, a 1,050-cu.-ft. refrigerated vehicle and a variety of

platform trailers.

FACTORY SERVICE WAS **OPERATED FREE**

AFTER being approached by workers to start a service between Wigan and a factory at Patricroft, A. Bott and Sons, Wigan, applied for a licence-and meanwhile ran a free service. This was stated at Manchester when they asked the North Traffic Commissioners to Western approve the works service at a return fare of 3s. 6d.

Objections were lodged by Salford and Wigan corporations and Lancashire United Transport, Ltd., who said they had received no representations from the public about existing services being

inadequate.

Mr. F. Williamson, chairman, said Bott's should not have organized a free themselves. Representations should have been made to the objectors. However, a case had been made out and the application would be granted.

£30,000 BRIDGE SCHEME

WORK on a £30,000 scheme to make Cartland Bridge, Lanark, safer, is to begin either next month or in May. The bridge crosses a 126-ft, gorge on the Stirling-Carlisle road. Its improvement has been under consideration since September, 1956, when three men were swept over the parapet by a lorry, and two died from their injuries.

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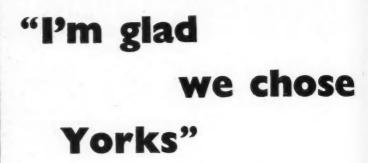


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Hauliers Warned of Stricter Checks

WARNING that stricter checks A would be kept by enforcement officers to ensure that hauliers did not break the conditions of their licences was given last week by Mr. W. P. F. Ormond, Eastern Licensing Authority, at a special Bedford hearing.

Mr. George W. Peacock, Potton Road,

Biggleswade, Beds, appeared to show why his licences should not be suspended or

revoked.

Mr. Ormond said Mr. Peacock had had a series of convictions of varying kinds relating to road haulage over the past five years. He had had Mr. Peacock's premises inspected and had been giving assurances about maintenance and improvement.

Ever since the time the Act was passed, Parliament has been concerned that the working hours laid down are not exceeded," said Mr. Ormond. "I look to employers of labour to see that what

Parliament wanted is done."

He was also particularly concerned with the use of vehicles outside their licence conditions and took a serious view of it. But on this occasion he would accept Mr. Peacock's explanations, although enforcement of the law would be pursued with increased attention in future.

TAXES NOT, SOLE EFFECT ON EXPORTS

"SPECIFIC taxes on motor vehicles and fuel are not the only factors affecting competitiveness in overseas markets." This was said by Mr. J. Vaughan-Morgan, Minister of State, Board of Trade, in the House of Commons last week after Mr. G. Nabarro (Cons., Kidderminster) had asked whether the President of the Board of Trade had compared German and British domestic vehicle taxation with competitive power in the export markets.

Mr. Vaughan-Morgan said that he had seen the annual report of Sir Henry Spurrier, chairman of Leyland Motors, Ltd. (The Commercial Motor last week), and that of Sir William Lyons, chairman of Jaguar Cars, Ltd. Great weight could be placed on their views but it was not for him to anticipate the Budget

MORE VEHICLES, MORE OFFENCES

ANY increase in the number of infringements of the hours and records regulations was probably in proportion to the rise in the number of vehicles, Mr. G. R. H. Nugent, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Transport, said in the House of Commons last week, replying to Mr. Ernest Davies.

It was accepted that more enforcement officers were necessary, and when the backlog of driving tests had been worked off it was hoped to allocate 50 more officers to enforcement work. might be possible before the end of the year. A total of 100 examiners was at present engaged full-time upon the inspection of log sheets.

Export Trade Makes a Good Start

EXPORTS in January got away to a good start for 1959, the total of 10,622 vehicles being the highest monthly figure since last July. Production of 26,321 units was, however, lower than in December, when 29,636 vehicles were made. Details appear in the accompanying tables.

NEW COMMERCIAL VEHICLE EXPORTS

Туре	January		
	No.	Value £	
Goods vehicles, complete and chassis assembled and unassembled Motorbuses and trolley- buses, complete and	9,607	6,188,614	
chassis	476	1,130,119	
Road haulage tractors Other descriptions, com-	73	235,985	
plete and chassis	71	229,912	
Dumpers and dump trucks	-	324,321	
Industrial trucks	395	178,528	
Trailers	- 395	146,397	
Totals	10,622	8,433,876	

PRODUCTION

					Jan.
Goods vehicles,	tract	ors a	nd spe	cial	
Under 15 cwt.			44		13,075
15 cwt3 tons					5,581
3-6 tons	4.0				3,467
Over 6 tons	**			- A	2,964
Total					25,087
Passenger vehic	les	OF ST		-	
Motorbuses, sin			**		1,093
	ble-d	eck			139
Trolleybuses		* *		1.7	2
Total	**				1,234
Grand Total					26,321
Weekly Averag	e				6,580

FEBRUARY OUTPUT

TOTAL of 23,087 goods and 1,019 A passenger vehicles were produced in February, according to Board of Trade figures, respective weekly average outputs being 5,772 and 255. Exports of goods vehicles amounted to 8,681 and of passenger vehicles to 345.

NEW CLEANSING GARAGE

MR. G. H. COOPER, director of public cleansing, Ashton-under-Lyne, will read a paper entitled "A New Cleansing at an open meeting at the north-western centre of the Institute of Public Cleansing at Ashton-under-Lyne Town Hall on April 14.

The centre will hold an open meeting at Wigan Town Hall on April 22.

OVER £107m. FOR ROADS

THE Civil Estimates presented to Parliament last week showed that Government road expenditure next year will be over £107m., £15m. more than this year. More than £21m. is allocated for grants towards new construction and major improvements on classified roads.

Hauliers' Three Main Problems Outlined

NDICATIONS that British Railways were indulging in "vicious ratecutting" while relentlessly prosecuting appreciable departures from normal user, were mentioned last week by Mr. R. N. Ingram, national chairman of the Road Haulage Association, when he spoke at the annual dinner of the Association's Yorkshire (Hull) Area.

Mr. Ingram said the industry faced three major problems, the first of which concerned licensing and the decisions of the Transport Tribunal on normal user. There was much apprehension because appreciable normal user departures were considered good grounds for the refusal of a licence. Two recent cases in which Yorkshire Licensing Authority

granted licences had delighted the Association but, in appealing against the decisions, the railways had shown that they were determined relentlessly to

prosecute any departures.

Consequently, the R.H.A. had decided to give full moral and financial support to the members concerned. The freedom of the A licence holder had to be preserved, and decisions should not be so inflexible as to damage the structure of the industry.

The second problem, he said, was that since British Railways obtained freedom in the matter of rates, they seemed to be indulging in rate-cutting of the most vicious kind. Hauliers who lost traffic would feel great bitterness because their taxes were helping to meet the bountiful subsidies a benevolent Government were providing for rail modernization and to cover deficits.

It was folly from a national point of view to subsidize a powerful, unwieldy and antiquated competitor. If the Conservatives were re-elected, common sense. would prevail, the subsidies would cease and the railways would be streamlined to stand on their own feet.

Thirdly, there was the question of nationalization. The first steps in the advertising campaign to defeat the Socialists had already been taken, but the most important part would be that of local advertising and public relations. Members should promote and stimulate discussion among their friends and acquaintances. If this could be made the main election issue the Socialists would be defeated.

INVESTIGATING EXHAUST NOISE

AIDED by grants from the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. the Motor Industry Research Association are continuing to work on the problem of exhaust noise, especially from the points of view of the pedestrian and passenger. The British Internal Combustion Engine Research Association are also investigating the exhaust noises of oilers.

This information was given in the House of Commons last week by Mr. Harmar Nicholls, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Works.

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15 Months for Oakleys' Managing Director: Brother Also Gaoled

SENTENCE of 15 months' imprisonment was imposed at the Old Bailey, last week, on Peter Rhodes, managing director of Oakleys (London and Scottish) Transport, Ltd., Wapping High Street, London, E.1. His brother, Allan George Stone, a director, was gaoled for nine months. Both had admitted conspiring to defraud the Inland Revenue by false statements and documents between March 1, 1954, and June 12, 1958, and making false P.A.Y.E. returns for employees (The Commercial Motor, February 13). A pay clerk, Walter William Ling, pleaded guilty to similar charges, but was given a conditional discharge.

The prosecution offered no evidence against Miss Jessica Rhodes, sister of the two directors. She had denied the charges and Mr. Neville Faulks, prosecuting, said he was satisfied that on the whole she worked under the direction of Peter Rhodes. Her counsel, Mr. Tudor Price, said she would have pleaded that

she had no criminal intent.

Mr. Faulks said Oakleys was incorporated in 1953 with an authorized capital of £2,000, and the following year this was increased to £10,000. Peter Rhodes held 9,200 of the £1 shares. Stone became traffic manager in June, 1956, and in April, 1957, he was made a director of the company. Ling was 54 when he became pay clerk in 1956, receiving £3 10s. above his wages as alleged expenses.

Wages and Hours Book

Referring to the wages and hours book which, he said, Peter Rhodes described as "The Bible," Mr. Faulks illustrated the case of a driver who worked 93½ hours in one week. The book showed that 70 hours were taken as the basic working week at 6s. per remaining 23½ hours, adding up to £7 1s., were shown as "expenses."

In other examples, 65 hours were shown as the drivers' basic working week. This scheme, whilst defrauding the Inland Revenue, operated to the employee's benefit rather than the employer's, whose main advantage was in obtaining the drivers' goodwill. But in September, 1956, the scheme began to operate to

Peter Rhodes' advantage.

He took something like the correct tax from the employees' wage packets but failed to pay it to the Inland Revenue. Instead, £4,443 underpaid tax went into his own pocket.

Previous Convictions

Det. Sgt. John Horne said Rhodes had two previous convictions, although he had been found guilty of three offences. In 1953 he changed his name by deed poll from Peter Henry Stone, but he was, in fact, Allan Stone's brother. Neither Stone nor Ling had previous convictions.

Mr. Victor Durand, for Peter Rhodes, said Oakleys grew from six vehicles and a small team of drivers into a fleet of 29 vehicles and about 60 men. Rhodes' energies had been devoted to building up the company and keeping a reliable team of men on the go.

Passing sentence, the Common Serjeant.

Sir Anthony Hawke, told Rhodes that he had shown generosity and courage in taking the full responsibility. Sir Anthony was prepared to regard Ling as being almost forced into taking part, but he had done so with his eyes wide open. However, at his age it would have been difficult to say that he was not going to be a party to it.

TROLLEYBUSES: DECISION AT **HULL DEFERRED**

SHOULD Hull Corporation run a mixed fleet of motorbuses and trolleybuses, or has the time come to abandon trolleybuses altogether? question faces the transport committee now that they have received a report from Mr. G. H. Pulfrey, general manager, on the running costs of the two types of vehicle.

At last week's committee meeting, Cllr. D. Bancroft suggested that it would be a disastrous move if trolleybuses were

withdrawn.

Ald. J. Henson, chairman, was asked if it really was the committee's policy to cease running trolleybuses. He replied: "This report has followed suggestions that the trolleybus services should be extended. As far as I can see, the committee has no alternative but to admit that, on the basis of this report, trolleybus operating costs compare unfavourably with motorbus costs."

It was decided to defer further consideration of the report until the Town Clerk, the treasurer and Mr. Pulfrey had examined existing costing methods. They will then report back to

SEVERN BRIDGE OPENING DATE: IT ALL DEPENDS . . .

THE opening date of the new Severn Bridge depends on how long it takes for the approach roads to be completed, Mr. Harold Watkinson, Minister of Transport, said last week. Paying a visit to the site of the bridge, he stressed that the Ministry were going ahead as quickly as they could with the legal formalities connected with the approach roads.

He added that the £15m, bridge and its roads held high priority in the roads pro-

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"Light Reading" for the Magistrates!

MAGISTRATES at Reading were advised last week that if they ever wanted a little "light reading" they might try wading through the Road and Rail Traffic Acts. After this experience they might feel a degree of sympathy with people who had to try to comply with them, suggested Mr. N. Brown.

He was defending G. O. and W. L. Watts, agricultural contractors, Calcot. Berks, who admitted 22 cases of failing to ensure that drivers kept proper records. They also pleaded guilty to 12 summonses for using an unlicensed vehicle and 15 for doing C-licence work with trade plates.

" It is not easy for employers to ensure that drivers comply fully with all these regulations," Mr. Brown contended. "It is simple to say 'get rid of the drivers,' but not so easy to replace them. Consequently, employers have just got to put up with a certain amount of slipshod work in this respect."

The concern were fined 5s. for each record offence, 5s. for each licence offence and 10s. for each charge of carrying under trade plates. They had to pay £3 3s. costs.

NEW COACH SERVICES

NEW express services and tours were successfully applied for by Mr. G. J. Miller, Swindon, when he appeared before the Western Traffic Commissioners last week. They will be run between Swindon and Watchford and Yatesbury and Blunsden.

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Express Services as an Experiment

WHEN Crosville Motor Services, Ltd., applied for an express service between Sandbach and Rhyl, last week. it was stated that the company realized they would abstract traffic from Rhyl services run by the North Western Road Car Co., Ltd. However, Mr. G. H. P. Beames, on Crosville's behalf, pointed out to the North Western Traffic Commissioners that their first duty was to the public, regardless of the effect on North Western.

He explained that the proposed service, to be operated on Saturdays from July to August, would be routed via Winsford with duplication as required. Several requests had been made by the public and two local authorities had written supporting letters. The company would be satisfied if the licence were granted for a year as an experiment.

North Western, he added, operated to Rhyl from Crewe and Northwich, which meant that people from Sandbach had to travel to one of these starting points. With small children this was often inconvenient.

Mr. D. L. Fytche, North Western's traffic manager, asked if Crosville would be willing to have the licence for a year so that North Western could put in an application. Thus, a joint service could be operated, with a review at the end of the year.

Crosville agreed, and a licence was granted until June 30, 1960.

Wasteful Competition Must be Avoided

STAGE services between Bibury and Cirencester, Glos, sought last week by Snowdonia Coaches, Bibury, were refused by the Western Traffic Commissioners. Snowdonia wanted to cover Quenington and Coln St. Aldwyns on the routes.

They were opposed by two old-established operators, Mr. F. J. R. Harvey and Mr. R. S. Marchant. For the objectors, Mr. T. D. Corpe stressed the difficulties that beset bus operators in populated areas of the sparsely

Cotswolds.

Mr. S. W. Nelson, chairman, said wasteful competition had to be avoided. Snowdonia wanted to give a better bus service on Saturday nights to certain housing estates, but there was not enough work for three operators. If the application were granted, some people might be saved a walk of a mile to the nearest bus stop, but if Mr. Harvey's business collapsed some other people would be

faced with a five-mile walk.
On Mr. Nelson's suggestion, Mr. Harvey agreed to apply for licences to operate the additional services sought by Snowdonia.

Continuing, Mr. Nelson said Mr. Marchant was also serving a sparsely populated area, but he had bought new vehicles and had others on order. He had also sunk £10,000 into the building of a new depot. His objection was perfectly understandable.

Bus Operators Lose 20-year Contract

BECAUSE a bus operator has held a contract for 20 years there is no reason why the work should not go to someone else who puts in a lower tender, Western Traffic Commissioners pointed out at Bristol last week.

Wilts and Dorset Motor Services, Ltd., had applied to run express services on contract to the Ministry of Supply between East Grinstead and Porton Camp, with intermediate picking-up points. They were opposed by Mr. E. H. G. Grant and Mr. A. W. Ted.

Mr. R. Crowther, for the objectors, asked if these two operators were suddenly to lose work they had done for 20 years merely because a lower tender had been submitted by Wilts and Dorset. He also objected on legal grounds, submitting that in any case the application could not be granted that day because the notice had not been sufficient.

Mr. H. W. Mills, Wilts and Dorset's traffic manager, claimed that the application could not have been published earlier because there was not sufficient time, although it was put in the day after the tender was accepted. The reason for his company's lower quotation was that they had the drivers and vehicles available in the area. They were fully aware of the position when tendering.

Granting the application, Mr. S. W. Nelson, chairman, said the Commissioners could not accept the position that because a contract had been held by one concern for 20 years it should be continuously renewed.

Inquiry Cost £2,000 On Lorry Deal

AFTER being involved in a revocation inquiry last August, Siddle C. Cook, Ltd., Consett, Co. Durham, had to cancel an order for two eight-wheelers after they had traded in four small vehicles for a nominal sum. This resulted in a loss of £2,000, it was stated at Newcastle upon Tyne, last week.

The company were seeking three B-licence vehicles to carry goods within 125 miles for the Consett Iron Co., Ltd. On their behalf, Mr. T. H. Campbell Wardlaw recalled that the revocation inquiry was called when it was found that Cook's were hauling steel with seven vehicles originally granted for other work (The Commercial Motor, August 29, 1958). This happened through a misunderstanding about guarantees made when the licences were granted.

The outcome was that no revocation was ordered, provided the lorries went back to their original work, which involved the company in a substantial

Mr. Siddle C. Cook said in evidence that since the revocation proceedings the company had been operating only two vehicles instead of seven.

Mr. J. L. R. Croft, for British Railways, submitted that the application should be refused because no witnesses or letter had been produced from the iron company. In reply, Mr. Wardlaw claimed that it was a humble application which did not call for strict application of the licensing rules.

Mr. J. A. T. Hanlon, Northern Licensing Authority, said he thought it right to deal as fairly as he could with the company so that they could keep their house in order in future. He would grant two vehicles with a 125-mile radius for the iron company, and one with a 30-mile

Haulier Describes "Run of Bad Luck"

NEWCASTLE haulier was warned A by Mr. J. A. T. Hanlon, Northern Licensing Authority, last week, that if a licensed vehicle was off the road for a long time the operator must expect the possibility of having it struck off his licence.

The haulier, Mr. Edward McBeth, Edward Street, Newcastle, was applying for the renewal of a licence for three vehicles. He said one lorry had been run without oil and the engine had been "simply smashed." Then the local authority served a compulsory acquisition order against him, forcing him to hunt for new premises instead of repairing the vehicle. His wife had been in hospital, and his house had been broken into three times in a year.

These were the reasons why the vehicle had not been taxed and on the road since December, 1957. However, the lorry was now in a roadworthy condition and if the licence were granted in

HOPE FOR RING ROAD

CHESTER expects that a start will be made on the town's inner ring road early next year. It will be an expensive project, as the plans include a 250-yard viaduct motorway spanning the main railway line and the Shropshire Union Canal.

full he would put it on the road immediately. He hoped this would see the end of his run of bad luck.

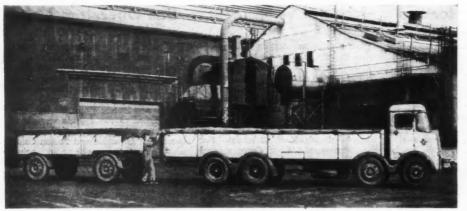
For British Railways, Mr. J. L. R. Croft said they were objecting only to the licensing of the untaxed vehicle.

Questioned by Mr. Hanlon about the fact that one of his vehicles was seen by the police at Consett, County Durham, not exhibiting a carrier's licence, Mr. McBeth said his son had taken off the licence while repairing the door frame and had forgotten to replace it.

"There is a special reason carriers' licences have to be exhibited," said Mr. Hanlon. "If they are not exhibited, it makes one think that the reason is because the haulier is doing something that he does not want either his competitors or the Licensing Authority to know about."

He did not think that was the reason in this case, and he granted the application in full.

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(Lefi) This A.E.C. eight-wheeler with trailer is engaged on sand haulage and is operated by Alfred T. Hartshorne, Ltd., Darlaston. Rigid vehicles have, in the company's experience, proved more economical than articulated outfits for this work. (Below) A Bedford with Boys third axle loads foundry sand at a quarry in Congleton. The body is of 10-cu-yd. capacity.

POR the past eight months Alfred T. Hartshorne, Ltd., Darlaston, Staffs, have been operating Bedford 7-tonners converted into sixwheelers for sand deliveries in place of Bedford articulated outfits. The experiment has proved a sound one, for the "rigids" are more economical on fuel and tyres, and are more popular with drivers.

When the change-over was made last July the company were operating 12 vehicles on sand work, six of them "arties." The Bedford 7-tonners which replaced them had their chassis lengthened and were fitted with a Boys trailing axle. Increasing the chassis length by 3 ft. 6 in. enabled a 20-ft. 10-cu.-yd. fixed-sided body to be employed, giving a payload of 11 tons. This corresponds with the capacity of the old semi-trailers.

Improved Fuel Consumption

The six-wheelers cover the same route as the semi-trailers. On the outward journey they run empty to a quarry in Congleton, 50 miles away, and on the return trip they carry sand to local foundries, making a daily mileage of about 200. The "artics" were powered by Perkins R6 oil engines and equipped with standard driving axles, returning a fuel consumption of around 12 m.p.g., whereas the consumption of the rigid six-wheelers is about 15.4 m.p.g. These vehicles are fitted with the makers' oil engine and two-speed axle.

Because of the limited mileage it is not possible to make an accurate estimate of tyre life, but tread measurements indicate that the six-wheelers will run about 50,000 miles before replacement of the 9,00-20-in. covers is necessary. This will provide a substantial saving in tyre costs, which is shown by comparison with the life of the "artic" tyres. On average the 37 x 7-in. covers of the tractor and the 36 x 8-in. semi-trailer tyres were replaced when the vehicle had completed 35,000 to 40,000 miles.



"Artics" Give Place to



These Austin and Scammell articulated outfits are used in the distribution of washing machines for Wilkins and Mitchell, Ltd. Twenty-five semi-trailers and 20 stand-by semi-trailers are engaged on this work.

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In part, the improved tyre mileage is attributed to the smoother running of the six-wheelers when they are operating without a load. The greater riding comfort when empty is particularly appreciated by the drivers, who consider that the rigid lorries are more stable on the road than the "artics.

Of the six other lorries in the sand fleet, one is a Bedford 10-ton six-wheeler, four are A.E.C. eight-wheelers and the remaining vehicle is a B.M.C. 7-ton tipper. The heavier lorries are used in conjunction with three drawbar trailers.

Sand is loaded by excavator in the quarry and the standard type of wood floor is liable to frequent damage by the impact of the grab and to severe abrasion by the sand, which has a high silica content. Until recently this represented a serious cost factor but, following the application of glass-fibre 1-in. lining to the six-wheelers, there

has been no measurable wear of the floors and their high impact resistance has obviated damage by the grab.

The lining is resin sprayed and its composition includes granite powder, which is rolled in before hardening. Cost of the lining is about 5s. a square foot, and it is supplied by Tom Byatt, Ltd., Stoke-on-Trent. A full description was given in The Commercial Motor on November 14, 1958.

Use of this flooring material has aroused great interest, both in this country and overseas. A recent inquiry to the operators came from New Zealand.

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Austin articulated outfit, with an unusual frontal appearance and wide wrap-round windscreen, leaves the screen, leaves the premises of Wilkins and Mitchell, Ltd., Darlaston. (Right, lower) Mr. A. T. Hartshorne, on the right, emphasizes a point in discussion with Mr. E. A. Riddle, general manager of the company. company.

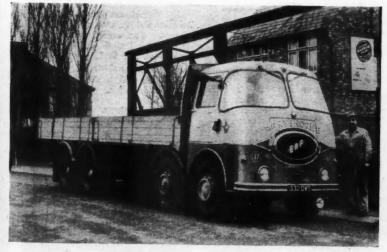




Bedford 7-tonners Converted to Rigid Six-wheelers Yield Economies in Sand Haulage: Two Associated Companies Control Four Groups

By P. A. C. Brockington, A.M.I.Mech.E.

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This E.R.F. eight-wheeler with plastics cab belongs to the general haulage group of Alfred T. Hartshorne (Darlaston), Ltd. Its driver, T. Roberts, has been with the company for seven years.

Four haulage groups in the organization are controlled by two associated concerns, the second company being Alfred T.

Hartshorne (Darlaston), Ltd. In addition to the sand vehicles the fleet includes 25 semi-trailers with van bodies and 20 stand-by trailers carrying Wilkins and Mitchell washing machines under contract.

There is a general haulage fleet comprising eight vehicles and a second group of six vehicles operating under contract to the Sankey company, giving a total of 51 vehicles and 23 additional trailers. B.M.C. oil-engined tractors with Eaton two-speed axles are employed for the finished-goods contract traffic. The articulated trailers are of the 8-ton van type on 10-ton units fitted with platform

General-haulage vehicles comprise E.R.F. four-, six- and eight-wheelers, powered by Gardner 6LW engines, which are mainly engaged on night trunking runs to London and Liver-

Mr. A. T. Hartshorne regards the

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Mr. A. Shevyn, who is in charge of Harts-'horne's general-haulage activities.

drivers as the mainstay of the organization and this represents the guiding principle on which operations are based. According to Mr. E. A. Riddle, general manager of the companies, the principle is exemplified by the rule that the driver must be satisfied about the mechanical condition of his vehicleno one can overrule his instructions relating to maintenance.

If, for example, a driver does not consider that the brakes or steering gear of his lorry are operating efficiently, despite an assurance by the workshop foreman that they are in perfect order, the vehicle will not leave the depot until he has approved its performance after further adjustments.

Drivers are assured a full week's pay for 52 weeks in the year and no deductions are made for enforced absences necessitated by such things as domestic troubles. All the long-distance vehicles are equipped with heaters and radios and three pairs of overalls are provided which are changed every week for cleaning. The "one vehicle, one driver" rule is strictly observed, and each vehicle is invariably washed and greased by the driver once a week.

In Mr. Hartshorne's view the success of the fleet has been built on good maintenance. Although a driver does not normally perform mechanical work his pride in his job and in the condition of his vehicle fosters a valuable keenness regarding fault finding. In the event of minor mechanical trouble on the road which the driver considers he can rectify he telephones his base for instructions by a mechanic. All vehicles are docked for a day every fortnight for a thorough inspection by the staff of five mechanics. They have four pits for routine servic-

Operational Efficiency

Mr. Riddle is pleased with the facilities provided by members of the Transport Association, who now number 57. In the case of the general haulage vehicles, operational efficiency is aided by interchange of traffic with other members and by their assistance in backloading. The knowledge that members will readily give emergency aid in the event of a breakdown promotes driver confidence.

Most of the companies' vehicles have the registration number 333, obtained by transfer from various counties. Although this number does not apply exclusively to the Hartshorne fleet, it is a mark of distinction which the drivers appreciate and which



Mr. A. T. Jeavons is responsible for the sand-haulage fleet.

is increasingly recognized by traders and other road users.

Several vehicles are equipped with glass-fibre cabs. All the new vehicles have them-Homalloy are mainly specified. Plastics cabs are preferred to the standard type because they reduce the unladen weight of the vehicle and are more easily cleaned.

Long-distance vehicles mainly operate night trunking services and are taken over by a shunt driver at the end of the run for load distribution and collection. The shunt driver is allowed 30 minutes to check tyre pressures and inspect the vehicle to ensure that the controls, lights and so on are operating efficiently.

The replacement policy of the organization is based on a vehicle life of four years, apart from the eightwheelers which run for longer periods. This normally obviates major overhauls and replacements.

Douglas Make Bus Chassis

THE first bus chassis to be constructed by Douglas Equipment, Ltd., Cheltenham, has been shipped to South Africa, where its 32-seat body is to be constructed. The chassis has a gross vehicle rating of 10 tons and is powered by a Meadows 4DC.330 oil engine developing 90 b.h.p. at 2,400 r.p.m.

The integral engine and five-speed constant-mesh gearbox unit is mounted at the front of the frame and a forward seating position is provided for the driver. The chassis has a wheelbase of 19 ft. 6 in. and is 7 ft. 9 in. wide overall.

The length is 25 ft. 9 in., and with an extension it can be increased to 30 ft 9 in

Bolted construction is used for the heavy-duty channel-section steel frame. Suspension at front and rear is by semielliptic springs, with double-acting shock absorbers. The brakes are hydraulic-air operated. The compressor is mounted on the engine and the reservoir is of 1,820-cu.-in. capacity.

Cam-and-double-roller steering is

the rear. The turning circle is about 68 ft. The hypoid rear axle has a dust-proof

breather and is a standard Douglas com-The overall ratios are: first, 35.7, second, 19.4, third, 13.8, fourth 9.05 and direct, 5.83 to 1.

With a gross vehicle weight of 7½ tons the chassis has a designed maximum speed of 45 m.p.h.



Destined for South African operation, the new Douglas bus chassis has a wheel-base of 19 ft, 6 in, and is designed for a 30 ft. body. The power is a 90 b.h.p. Meadows oiler. New

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Continental Routeing

REASONABLY priced at 12s. 6d., the B.M.C. "Touring Atlas and Guide to the Continent," although designed with the private motorist in mind, should appeal strongly to planners of Continental coach tours or those hauliers interested in international transport routeing. Besides 32 pages of road maps, printed on stiff paper and covering most of free Europe and a large part of Iron Curtain territory, there are 32 route guides.

Charted between major cities, these guides show the towns on the way, with intermediate distances, and any diversions through scenic country, the road numbers being marked appropriately. There is also a gazetteer of the places of attraction in different countries, as well as an index to towns shown on the maps. A series of conversion tables completes the book, which is about the same as this journal in page size and has a spiral binding.

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The book is sold through leading booksellers, B.M.C. dealers and the Austin

Motor Co., Ltd., Longbridge, Birmingham, or the Nuffield Organization, Cowley, Oxford.

Low-cost Frames

STEEL frames for buildings 60 ft. long and 8 ft. high to the eaves are being marketed by Messrs. Arnold Kahn, Maldon Road, Witham, Essex, at competitive prices, that for a structure 20 ft. wide being £155 and 25 ft. wide £205.

Known as Econoframe buildings, they may be quickly erected by novitiate labour. The stanchions have base and top plates, those at the bottom being drilled for rag bolts, whilst the uprights are drilled for the attachment of fittings. Bay length is 12 ft., and the frames are capable of extension.

The gable trusses have a pitch of 22½°, and there are six lines of purlins. An Econoframe erection may be inspected at the firm's works.

Mechanism Explained

ALTHOUGH dealing primarily with private-car design, the sixth edition of "The Mechanism of the Car," by Arthur W. Judge, volume three in the Motor Manual series published by Chapman and Hall, Ltd., London, W.C.2, price fl 1s., deals in the thorough way associated with previous editions with all aspects of automotive design techniques. This latest issue includes a section devoted to recent developments in vehicles, including some of the latest automatic gearboxes, disc-brake systems, servo mechanisms and tubeless tyres.

Power - steering systems, automatic clutches, exhaust brakes and recent suspension systems are also dealt with.

Land-Rover Compressor

A N air compressor with an output of 38 c.f.m. at 100 p.s.i. has been produced for use on Land-Rovers by B.E.N. Patents, Ltd., P.O. Box 10, High Wycombe, Bucks. It is driven by a belt on the rear power take-off and comprises a twin-eylindered unit of 4 in. bore and stroke.

Priced at £95, it can be attached or taken off the vehicle in a few minutes, and when in use delivers sufficient air for work such as digging, backfill ramming and concrete vibrating, as well as lighter

This picture shows how the B.E.N. 38-c.f.m. compressor is mounted at the rear of a Land-Rover to be belt-driven from the power take-off. The equipment costs £95. Bore and stroke measurements of the two cylinders are "square" at 4 in.

applications including rust scaling and hedge cutting or spraying insecticides.

The cost includes driving belts, governor and tubular air receiver.

Quick Cleaner

THE Det-On steam cleaner is a portable unit introduced by the Wanson Co., Ltd., 7 Elstree Way, Boreham Wood, Herts. It requires connection to a water supply and an electric power point, and within three minutes of switching on can produce a jet of steam mixed with boiling water. Detergent solution may be injected into the steam circuit after it has passed the heating coil. Any water supply is suitable, and 110 gal. of water can be transformed into steam at a pressure of from 85-180 p.s.i., according to mains pressure.

The Det-On is heated by an automatic jet-type oil burner, and an electric motor drives the water pump, burner pump and fan. The unit measures 2 ft. wide, 3 ft. 4 in. long and 3 ft. 7 in. high. It is shortly to go into production.

The Det-On steam cleaner is a compact unit burning oil and

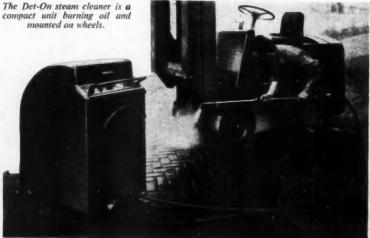


MEANS for transporting long loads down narrow factory aisles with a Lansing Bagnall SOEP2 stillage truck have been devised by a user. The loads may be placed on a trailer, and the truck platform is placed underneath it from the side.

The platform is elevated but not so much that the wheels of the trailer are raised from the ground. The steering and driving head of the SOEP2 are then turned so that the wheels are in line with those of the trailer, and the other wheels follow by castor action.

Elevator Trucks

TWO additions to the range of Vertolifter hydraulic elevator trucks manufactured by Messrs. Powell and Co., Burry Port, Carms, are now available. The latest models cater for payloads of 1,200 lb. and 1,600 lb. and can be provided to lift to heights of 5 ft. or 6 ft. 3 in.







RIVEN hard for 27 hours over a route which included such hilly areas as the Cotswolds, central Wales, the Lake District, and the Derbyshire Peaks, a Bedford-Duple Super Vega oil-engined 41-seat coach covered 859 miles at the expense of 49.3 gal. of fuel, giving overall averages of 31.8 m.p.h and 17.4 m.p.g. This is true high-speed economy transport, further emphasized by the relatively low basic cost of the complete vehicle. Its price, including Eaton two-speed axle, is £3,894, the chassis price being only £1,284.

The coach used for this endurance test was a standard model which had been withdrawn from a series of demonstrations to operators only the week previously. The driving was shared between four people: Myself and Tony Ellis of *The Commercial Motor*, and Colin Prebble and Guy Tidbury of Vauxhall Motors, Ltd. Each of us drove for a total of just under seven hours and the hourly log of the journey showed that only during three separate hourly periods did the average speed drop below 30 m.p.h. This is remarkable, considering the hilly nature of many stretches and the narrow twisting roads—little more than country lanes in many places—through which the 30-ft. by 8-ft. coach was taken.

Twenty-seven hours was the actual running time and does not include time lost when changing drivers and when stopping for meals, fuel and so forth. These stops accounted for a further seven hours.

Having a genuine maximum speed of more than 65 m.p.h., the Bedford coach with Vauxhall-built 300-cu.-in. oil engine and Eaton two-speed axle is well suited to the type of service simulated by the long-distance test. The eight forward ratios are so spaced as to give the high cruising speed necessary for normal point-to-point touring, combined with the gradient ability that is often called for when out-of-the-way tourist spots have to be visited.

This flexibility of performance is invaluable also on Continental tours, enabling the coach to keep up with other traffic on high-speed roads and in the mountainous areas found in central and southern Europe. The coaching business is still expanding, and operators are turning towards the lower-priced type of coach chassis, such as the Bedford, for long-distance tours both in this country

(Above, left) The Bedford-Duple Super Vega 41-seater on the A479 road leaving Llyswen after the lunch stop. (Above) Passing through Ross-on-Wye, where the narrow streets did not unduly reduce the overall average speed. A feature of the latest Duple body is the two-piece wrap-round windscreen which gives a wide arc of driving visibility. (Above, right) Heading for Aberystwyth, the Bedford is seen in the Plynlimon area, just past Pont-erwyd on one of the straighter sections of the road west of Llangurig.

By John F. Moon, A.M.I.R.T.E.

A £3,894 Coach Gives 17.4 m.p.g. Over 859 miles

Bedford-Duple 41-seat Oil-engined Coach on Extended Road Test: Four-speed Gearbox and Two-speed Axle Give High Speed and Fast Climbing

and abroad. Therefore this test assumes topical importance at this time of the year, indicating, as it does, just what can be done with a 41-seater costing less than £4,000.

The kerb weight of the coach was 5 tons 6½ cwt., and it was tested at a gross weight of 8 ton 4½ cwt., showing its load to be 2 tons 18½ cwt. This is equivalent to 41 passengers and driver, plus about 6 cwt. of baggage, sandbags having been loaded into the boot to make up the gross weight. The front-axle loading was 2 tons 17 cwt., the rear axle carrying less than twice this weight.

We joined the coach at Harpenden, at Colin Prebble's home, and the weather was cloudy and damp, the forecast

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wossing the River Wye as it enters Bakewell, the Bedford-Duple coach heads on the final stage of its journey. Average running speed up to this point was well over 30 m.p.h.



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This picture, taken between Machynlleth and Dolgelley, shows Tal-y-llyn lake.

suggesting that we might run into rain as we headed west. A start was made at 7.45 a.m. with Colin driving. Five minutes later we entered St. Albans, which, because of heavy traffic, took nine minutes to negotiate. The narrow winding A414 road was taken from St. Albans to Hemel Hempstead, at which point A41 was joined. This is little wider than A414 as far as Aylesbury, which was reached 58 minutes after leaving Harpenden.

Two minutes later the first hourly check showed that we had covered exactly 30 miles. From Aylesbury the A418 road was taken in the Oxford direction, and for the first time reasonably clear stretches of road were encountered, enabling the coach to be cruised at some 45 m.p.h. A Petrometa had been installed in the fuel circuit of the coach and while cruising at this speed a spot check over a mile showed the consumption rate to be 19.2 m.p.g.

Having joined A40 just outside Wheatley, the Oxford by-pass was reached at 9.20 a.m. and left at Eynsham 14 minutes later. Because of the higher cruising speed obtainable along this stretch of road the second hourly check at 9.45 a.m. showed that the average speed had increased to 33 m.p.h. It was possible to maintain a cruising speed of 45 m.p.h. or so while crossing the Cotswolds between Oxford and Cheltenham, but at Andoversford traffic speed was reduced to 25 m.p.h. by the presence of a slow-moving indivisible load, and this was the maximum attained for the rest of Prebble's drive until the first change-over of drivers just west of Cheltenham.

Three minutes were lost while I changed places with him, and it took me eight minutes to drive through the centre of Cheltenham, shortly after which heavy rain fell. A check at the third hour since starting, just after Cheltenham, showed the average speed to have remained constant at 33 m.p.h. and the distance between the outskirts of Cheltenham and Gloucester was covered in seven minutes. Gloucester itself took 11 minutes to negotiate, the coach being driven through the centre of the town.

Nearly 10 minutes were then spent in the indirect ratios between Gloucester and Ross-on-Wye because of another wide load which never managed to achieve more than 20 m.p.h. and was impossible to overtake on the narrow road. Its speed fell sharply on the steady climb after

Huntley. Nevertheless, Ross was reached 50 minutes after leaving Cheltenham, and the fourth hourly check yielded an average speed of $28\frac{1}{2}$ m.p.h.

Monmouth, with its quaint old archway bridge, 128 miles from Harpenden, was reached at 11.58 a.m., and Abergavenny, 18 miles farther on, was reached 32 minutes later. Five hours after leaving Harpenden a check showed that the average speed had again risen to more than 30 m.p.h., and by now we had crossed the Welsh border and the road was starting to climb.

The A40 road was left at Llwyn-crwn, whence the A479 was taken. Between Crickhowell, on A40 and Pen-y-genffordd, just south of Talgarth, the road rises 800 ft. in a matter of seven miles. This distance took some 22 minutes to cover, with third-low gear necessary in places. Unfortunately, during this climb the radiator blind (which had been raised at the start to hasten engine warming-up) jammed, and the climb was made with the radiator completely blanked off, bringing the temperature-gauge needle into the red "danger" area. This did not seem to affect the engine performance unduly, although not a practice to be commended.

From Pen-y-genffordd, the road drops sharply through Talgarth as far as Llyswen, where a stop was made for lunch.

The contour falls some 750 ft. over a distance of little more than six miles, and during this descent the brakes showed signs of fade and pedal travel increased appreciably. Nevertheless, the gears were not used to obtain engine braking effect, and fade was brought about only by exaggerated driving conditions. The Llyswen stop was made at 1.15 p.m.—5½ hours and 172 miles from Harpenden—whilst the Petrometa which by now had started to behave erratically, indicated the overall consumption rate so far to be approximately 19 m.p.g.

After lunch, Tony Ellis took over the driving and Llyswen was left in light rain. Builth Wells, 14 miles from Llyswen,

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was reached in 20 minutes, despite the winding nature of the road, and some quarter of an hour was lost in the town through the route out being mistaken. From Builth Wells northward the road climbs for three miles, most of this gradient being ascended in low top, and the 15 miles of narrow and winding road to Rhayader was covered in 25 minutes.

At Rhayader A44 was joined and the first hourly check after leaving Llyswen produced an average speed of 32 m.p.h., the Petrometa showing approximately 16 m.p.g., which is good considering the nature of the roads, which made speeds above 40 m.p.h. impossible.

Llangurig was reached 1 hour 10 minutes after leaving Llyswen. By this time the sun had begun to break through the clouds, but heavy traffic slowed down the speed and low top gear was used extensively during the steady climb to a height of 1,350 ft. at Eisteddfa Gurig. From this point the road falls progressively down to sea level at Aberystwyth, where the coach was taken on to the sea-front through narrow back streets, as would occur during a tour. The total running time to Aberystwyth from Harpenden—a distance of 236 miles —was 7 hours 20 minutes,

Aberystwyth was left by the A487 road, another narrow twisting, climbing stretch, passing through Talybont and running up to the River Dovey. The 21 miles to Machynlleth took 36 minutes and nine miles farther on, just north of Upper Corris on A487, the fourth driver change was made, Guy Tidbury taking the wheel. The road from this point to Dolgelley took the coach through the Cader Idris area. At Dolgelley, a turn was made on to A494, heading towards Lake Bala, this section of the road being reasonably easy but still narrow.

Good time was made between Bala and Corwen, the 14 miles taking only 26 minutes, and at Corwen we turned on

ROAD TEST No. 654/MII3-BEDFORD-DUPLE 41-SEAT OIL-ENGINED COACH

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MODEL: Bedford-Duple Super Vega 41-seat coach based on Bedford SB 1 oil-engined 18-ft,-wheelbase passenger chassis.

WEIGHTS:

Unladen (kerb weight) Payload	 5 2	12	1 0
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DISTRIBUTION: Front axle	 2 5	17	0 2

ENGINE: Bedford 300-cu.-in, six-cylindered direct-injection oil engine; bore 98.42 mm. (3.875 in.); stroke 107.95 mm. (4.25 in.); piston-swept volume 4.927 litres (300.7 cu. in.); maximum net output 89 b.h.p. at 2,600 r.p.m.; R.A.C. rating 36 h.p.; maximum net torque 210 lb.-ft, at 1,400 r.p.m.

TRANSMISSION: Through 12-in-diameter singledry-plate clutch to four-speed synchromesh gearbox, thence by three-piece propeller shaft to the Eaton 16500 two-speed fully floating spiral-bevel rear axie.

GEAR RATIOS: 7.059, 3.332, 1.711 and 1 to 1 forward; reverse 7.059 to 1; rear-axle ratios 4.89 and 6.8 to 1.

BRAKES: Bedford leading-and-trailing-shoe units with Lockheed tandem master-cylinder and Clayton Dewandre GA17140/1 vacuum servo. Single-pull hand brake linked mechanically to rear wheels only. Diameter of drums 16 in; width of facings, front, 3.18 in., rear, 4.25 in.; total frictional area 497.9 sq. in., that is 60.3 sq. in. per ton gross weight as tested.

FRAME: Pressed-steel channel-section, with six pressed-steel cross-members riveted in position.

STEERING: Vauxhall semi-irreversible worm and

SUSPENSION: Semi-elliptic springs, with telescopic dampers at both axles.

ELECTRICAL: 12-v. compensated-voltage control system with 185-amp.-hr. battery.

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FUEL CONSUMPTION: (a) 859-mile course, 17.4
m.p.g. at 31.8 m.p.h. average speed; (b) shortdistance, non-stop, 21 m.p.g. at 29.3 m.p.h.
average speed; (c) short-distance, non-stop, unladen, 24.7 m.p.g. at 30.2 m.p.h. average speed,
that is 143 gross ton-m.p.g. as tested (a) and 173
gross ton-m.p.g. as setsed (b), giving time-loadmileage factors of 4,547 (a) and 5,069 (b).



FIRING ORDER 1 · 5 · 3 · 6 · 2 · 4 COMPRESSION RATIO 17 : 1 VALVE CLEARANCE 0·013" TANK CAPACITY: 26 gal., range approximately 450 miles.

ACCELERATION: Through gears (low axle ratio), 0-20 m.p.h., 9.75 sec.; 0-30 m.p.h., 26.3 sec.; 0-40 m.p.h., 45 sec.; direct drive (low axle ratio), 10-20 m.p.h., 11.5 sec.; 10-30 m.p.h., 26.6 sec.; 10-40 m.p.h., 44.8 sec.

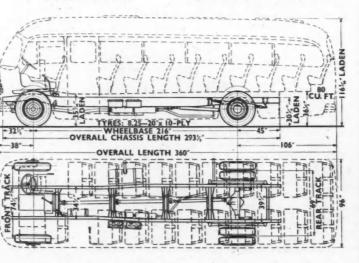
BRAKING: From 20 m.p.h., 21.75 ft. (19.9 ft. per sec. per sec.); from 30 m.p.h., 43 ft. (22.5 ft. per sec. per sec.).

WEIGHT RATIO: 0.545 b.h.p. per cwt. gross weight as tested,

FORWARD VISIBILITY: To within 11.5 ft. of front bumper at ground level on centre line.

TURNING CIRCLES: 62.5 ft. both locks; swept circles, 65.5 ft. both locks.

MAKERS: Vauxhall Motors, Ltd., Luton, and Duple Motor Bodies Ltd., London, N.W.9.



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Just outside Haltwhistle, at 4.30 a.m., Tony Ellis took over the wheel again. By this time the heavy rain had stopped, although the roads were still damp. The 17 miles between Hexham and Newcastle were covered at an average speed of 32 m.p.h. Newcastle was left by the A1 road at 5.57 a.m. and Durham, 13 miles farther south, in 18 minutes—an average speed of 43.5 m.p.h. This high average was maintained down A1 through Darlington and into Boroughbridge, whilst the Petrometa showed that the fuel-consumption rate over this stretch had been approximately 18 m.p.g.

Delays in Doncaster

At Boroughbridge Guy Tidbury started driving again, and in his first hour covered 35 miles, despite a seven-minute stop at the level crossing at Hoppeton. Boroughbridge to Doncaster -48 miles—took 1 hour 20 minutes and, as usual, long delays occurred in Doncaster because of the bridge-widening work. Nevertheless, two hours after Tidbury took over, 60 miles had been covered, by which time we had reached the centre of Rotherham en route for Sheffield, early-morning traffic not having delayed us unduly.

A stop was made for breakfast in Sheffield at 9.55 a.m. We were then 705 miles and 21½ hours' driving time from Harpenden. It was rather difficult to get breakfast in Sheffield at this time, but eventually a "right Yorkshire" meal was found and we left Sheffield at 11.33 a.m. with Tony Ellis

This map of the route taken with the Bedford-Duple Super Vega gives some idea of the hilly areas passed through during the 859mile test. The numbers in circles along the route refer to the running time in hours from the start at Harpenden.

to A5, covering the nine miles to Llangollen, past Llantysilio Mountain, in 13 minutes. Shortly after this the fifth hourly check since lunch showed that an average speed of 29.6 m.p.h. had been maintained from Llyswen onwards and after passing through Wrexham a stop was made for dinner in Chester.

Leaving Chester at 10.30 p.m. with Colin Prebble driving once more, we encountered a little difficulty (through inadequate signposting) in finding the A56 road out to Warrington. Instead of taking the direct road we diverted to join A49 just outside Cuddington, the 26 miles to Warrington taking 51 minutes.

At 11.39 p.m. the coach was pulled into an all-night garage for refuelling just outside Haydock racecourse and, as so often happens at this time of night, 17 minutes were spent in obtaining 21 gal. of fuel. Little traffic was encountered once on the road again and good time was made from Wigan, three minutes after which the coach entered the southern end of the Preston by-pass.

This gave us a chance to try the coach under high-speed conditions, and it was driven "flat out" over the 8½-mile stretch, the speedometer indicating a full 70 m.p.h. The motorway took 9½ minutes to cover, giving an average speed of just over 52 m.p.h. A close check on the Petrometa, which was jumping madly by this time, showed the fuel-consumption rate during this dash to have been approximately 19.5 m.p.g. High-speed running over a high-speed road does not necessarily result in high fuel consumption.

Pressing on northwards, Lancaster was reached 2½ hours after leaving Chester, some 81 miles south, and just outside Milnthorpe I relieved Colin Prebble at the wheel, the change-over time being 1.30 a.m. Extremely good time was made through Kendal and northwards over Shap, and when descending the northern side of Shap I took the precaution of using the gears to save wear and tear on the brakes. Kendal to Penrith—a distance of 27 miles—took 55 minutes, but the 19 miles to Carlisle were covered in only 25 minutes.

In Carlisle we decided to take the coach over the Scottish border. We drove as far as Gretna Green, turning round in a car park, and straight back to Carlisle, where the A69 road was taken in the direction of Newcastle upon Tyne. driving, taking the undulating A621 road through Baslow to Bakewell, whence A6 was followed down to Matlock.

Just outside Matlock, 29 miles from Sheffield, Tony's hour of driving expired and I took over again, carrying on down A6 in reasonably clear traffic and through the centre of Derby as far as Hathern, where a stop was made for 10 further gal. of fuel and a light lunch.

Hathern was left with Colin Prebble driving in squally rain, and 18 minutes later the 24 hours' driving time elapsed. By then 773 miles had been covered, giving an average speed of 32.2 m.p.h. Traffic was moderate through Loughborough, Leicester and Market Harborough, and at Desborough, Tidbury took over for the last stage of the journey. Kettering to Bedford—26 miles—took nearly an hour because of heavy traffic, which tended to drop our overall average speed, and more time was lost farther down A6 when I decided to conduct a six-mile fuel-consumption spot check over my usual course between Barton and Clophill. This yielded a rate of 21 m.p.g. at an average speed of 29.3 m.p.h.

Journey's End

We finally arrived at the Vauxhall works at Luton at 5.45 p.m., having covered 859 miles in a running time of 27 hours, equal to an average speed for the whole of that time of 31.8 m.p.h. Fuel added at the works totalled 18.3 gal. We had used a total of 49.3 gal. for the complete journey, giving an overall average of 17.4 m.p.g., which is as much as any operator could ask for on such a route.

Next morning, short-distance performance tests were conducted, acceleration figures being entirely satisfactory, both through the gears and in direct drive. Braking results were more than adequate for a coach of its size, although the pedal pressure required for normal braking was heavier than both myself and Tony Ellis would have expected from a vehicle of this weight. Exceptional hand-brake efficiency was shown by the ability to make a 0.52g stop from 20 m.p.h. as recorded on the Tapley meter.

As if we had not done enough hill-climbing during the previous two days, a temperature-rise check was made up the \(\frac{1}{2}\)-mile 1-in-10\(\frac{1}{2}\) gradient of Bison Hill, which took 3 minutes

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51 seconds, and showed a coolant temperature rise of only 10° F. to 157° F. The lowest ratio used during this climb was second low, which was engaged for a minute.

A fade check in neutral, down the hill, which lasted for 2 minutes 20 seconds, with the foot brake restricting the speed to 20 m.p.h., revealed a reduction in maximum braking efficiency from 77 per cent. to 45 per cent. and 3½ in. pedal-travel increase. Returning up the hill to the 1-in-6½ section the hand brake held the coach with ease and a smooth restart was made in first high.

During the afternoon an unladen fuel-consumption test was made over the Barton-Clophill circuit; this gave an average figure of 24.7 m.p.g. at an average speed of 30.2 m.p.h.

Maintenance tests showed the coach to be reasonably easy to service, the water-level check taking 24 seconds; engine oil, 1 minute 51 seconds (it is necessary to remove the engine cowl); gearbox oil, 63 seconds; and rear-axle oil, 41 seconds.

With the engine cowl off I was able to remove No. 6 injector in 2 minutes and replace it in 2 minutes 37 seconds. The battery levels took 2 minutes to check, access to the batteries being given by a floor trap under the near-side seats.

The spare wheel, which is stowed beneath the floor at the near side, was removed single-handed in 2 minutes 6 seconds and replaced (with a certain amount of difficulty) in 2 minutes 26 seconds. The front brakes were reset in 3 minutes and the rear brakes in 8½ minutes.

A switch-box to the right of the driver has a hinged panel to give easy access to the wiring and fuses, and I changed a fusewire in 1 minute 7 seconds. My last job was checking the air-cleaner oil level, but I foresaw that this was going to be as involved as on the Bedford-Duple Vista (The Commercial Motor, April 4, 1958), because of the rather complex method of securing the air-cleaner cover and bowl behind its removable panel. This panel took 1 minute 50 seconds to remove and 3 minutes "41 seconds to replace, whilst the air-cleaner level on the Vista took 10 minutes to ascertain.

Summing up the coach generally as assessed during the long run, it would appear to be a good speculation for all coach operators. It is reasonably comfortable and quiet, and combines good performance with fuel economy. The rear suspension is, it must be admitted, harsh, which might tend to make some passengers feel sick (as I did), whilst, as is often the case with Bedford chassis, the gearbox is by no means

silent in the indirect ratios.

Extensive foam plastics insulation around the engine and front panelling successfully reduces engine noise, however, and even in the front seats it is not unduly obtrusive. The steering is pleasant to handle, with a useful castor action, but the relative positions of the pedals, the steering wheel and the gear lever result in a somewhat awkward backward stretch when engaging second and top gears, which can become tiring in hilly areas.

Demonstration Trailer Built in Plastics

GENERALLY similar in appearance to the mobile display vehicle built by Locomotors, Ltd., Birmingham, in June, 1958 (The Commercial Motor, June 20, 1958) for the British Petroleum Co., Ltd., a B.P. reception trailer was recently completed by the same company. It will be employed for demonstrations and exhibitions portraying the agricultural uses of the company's products during a tour of Scandinavia and other Continental countries later in the year.

The vehicle will be employed in conjunction with a low-load Cranes trailer carrying a Sno-Cat tractor. In transit the reception trailer will be loaded with display panels and so on for erection on the demonstration sites.

Modified Panelling

Construction of the body is based on a plastics material bonded to a wood frame, a method which was used for the original trailer, but a modified form of panelling provides a number of advantages, including a reduction in weight. Woven matt roving is employed in place of chopped matt for the main section and is backed by a thin section of the latter material, bonded with polyester resin. There is, therefore, a higher concentration of glassfibre and a lower concentration of resin. Roving is supplied by Fothergill and Harvey, Ltd.

It is claimed that this combination increases the surface tension of the panelling and thereby reduces distortion during the curing process. It also provides a saving in labour time.

The body is mounted on a Pitt four-wheeled 5-ton trailer, and its measurements comprise a length, without tow bar, of 21 ft., a width of 7 ft. 6 in. and a height of 13 ft. 11 in. Ackerman steering is retained but the layout is unusual in that the wheel assemblies are mounted on large bell-housings similar to the type

employed for front-wheel drives. The solid axle is mounted on semi-elliptic springs.

Rear suspension represents a complete departure from the equipment fitted to the display trailer, Flexitor independent rubber-bushed torsion springs being fitted. It is notable that the self-damping action of the rubber obviates the necessity to employ shock-absorbers of the conventional type.

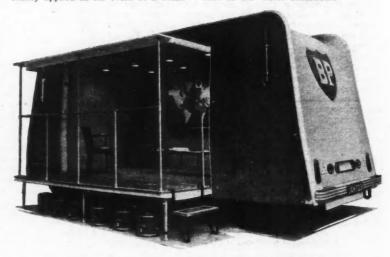
Brakes are operated by a Girling pneumo-hydraulic system which includes a trailer-mounted air reservoir and a relay emergency valve. Any reduction in air pressure on the trailer side of the valve opens a connection from the reservoir to the servo operating cylinder and the brakes are, therefore, immediately applied in the event of a break-

away. Couplings are of the Clayton Dewandre half-palm type.

The trailer chassis is of droppedframe pattern and comprises four main longitudinal frame members of 4 in. by 2 in. channel section giving a frame width of 7 ft. 10 in. and an overall length of 19 ft. 10½ in. Other chassis details include 7.50 by 20 10-ply tubeless tyres and a ratchet-operated four-point jacking system.

The single door is located on the near side of the vehicle and comprises an upper and lower hinged section equipped with sockets for the installation of tubular ground-support legs and rails.

The door seal is of the inverted J-type, which was first used for the display vehicle and has provided positive immunity from the ingress of water and dust in the worst conditions.



Mounted on a Pitt 5-ton trailer, the Locomotors display unit built for the B.P. concern has a timber frame and plastics cladding.

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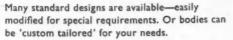


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Political Commentary

By JANUS

Keeping the Loot

BUDGETS in an election year sometimes contain welcome surprises, but it may still be too much to hope for a reduction in the fuel tax this time. Every organization that has anything to do with roads or road transport has made the annual pilgrimage to the Treasury, and the various offerings will be dished up all over again by members of all parties during the discussion on the Finance Bill in Parliament.

All the arguments were worked to death years ago. The official answers become more and more perfunctory, perhaps because they so obviously lack conviction. There is a case for a limited tax on fuel used in road vehicles. Once upon a time, a Chancellor of the Exchequer decided to raise money from users to meet the cost of the roads. Although abolished in 1955, the Road Fund is so well remembered and liked that many people believe it is still in existence. Hypothecation of revenues may be a term of abuse among politicians, but the public, if they could be made to understand what it means, would approve of it.

They regard it as only fair that the road user should receive back what he has paid. Beyond this point, it is illogical to tax him and to leave unscathed the other consumers of oil, who include manufacturers, farmers, domestic users and, of course, the railways. During the financial year just ending, nearly £300m. will have been raised from the motor fuel tax, about three times the amount of road expenditure by the central Government. A special tax of 10d. per gallon would therefore have been justified. If the Chancellor had needed the extra revenue from oil, the extra tax spread over all users would have been about 8d. per gallon, making a total of 1s. 6d. for vehicle owners.

There is an etiquette about approaching the Chancellor. It is correct to ask for a remission of dues, but not to suggest taxation on other people. Apart from this, road users would make themselves unpopular if they demanded that their burden be spread over equally or more important sections of the community. For reasons such as these, they tread the accustomed path, and must by now be almost reconciled to receiving the customary, if entirely unsatisfactory, answers.

Break New Ground

All the more credit is due to the British Road Federation for their effort to break new ground. Abandoning for the moment any idea of equating revenue with expenditure, they have suggested to the Chancellor what he ought to regard as a generous compromise. They have conceded that he might require from road users a surplus of some £250m. annually over and above what is allocated for the roads. He can get this substantial bonus, say the B.R.F., even if he reduces fuel tax from 2s. 6d. per gallon, abolishes the 30 per cent. purchase tax on goods-vehicle chassis, and cuts in half the 60 per cent. purchase tax on cars, thus putting them on the same level as motorcycles.

As usual, the calculations by the B.R.F. are impeccable. They take into account the expanded programme of road development, and budget for an increase in central Government expenditure from an estimated £92.3m. in the present financial year to an estimated £247m. in the year ending March 31, 1965. The annual increase in the number of motor vehicles licensed in Great Britain is reckoned as 6½ per cent., which is actually below the figure given by the Director of Road Research for the annual increase over the past decade. The number of vehicles in

circulation, say the B.R.F., was 4m. in 1949, is today about 8½m., and will probably rise to 12¼m. by 1965. The tax yield at the lower rates proposed by the B.R.F. would therefore just keep pace with the road programme, as it is costed at present, and still give the Chancellor his extra £250m.

The Chancellor's comment might be that, by leaving taxation as it is, he would get almost exactly twice what the B.R.F. promise him. If he is to keep the loot, he sees no reason why he should not keep it all. Road users. when asking for some relief from their present burdens, take for granted that the Government are genuinely concerned with the correlation between taxation and road expenditure. The assumption is optimistic. Unfortunately for road users, the fuel tax in particular is almost made to measure for the Exchequer. Whatever his politics, the Chancellor agrees with his predecessors on this point. With some hesitation at first, but with fewer and fewer apologies as time goes on, one Chancellor after the other has decided to make a little more out of oil and petrol, and none has seen fit to make a reduction, except for the extra shilling imposed as a result of the Suez crisis. It is true that each year the Opposition in Parliament move amendments to reduce the tax, but they change their mind as soon as they are in power.

Important Element

Most Governments, when it comes to the point, have a tender feeling towards the railways. Road competition continues to eat into railway traffic. The price of fuel is an important element in road transport costs, and its importance is exaggerated if, as reports allege, some operators are a prey to the regrettable delusion that any rate is profitable that shows something to spare over and above the cost of fuel and wages. A further steep decline in road haulage charges might well follow a cut in the fuel tax, and as a consequence the railways might lose more customers. Hauliers themselves, who in any case regard the present level of rates as too low, may have one or two secret reservations about whether a tax reduction is altogether desirable.

In his resistance to the demands on behalf of road users, the Chancellor may be encouraged by the lack of any general public agitation. For a tax reduction he would be thanked most vociferously by the private motorist, and would be accused, however unfairly, of favouring the wealthier section of the community. People without cars would see no immediate advantage to themselves, as they would, for example, if there were a reduction in income tax.

Passenger-vehicle operators would not be able to reduce fares, unless the tax were cut substantially, by at least as much as the shilling proposed by the B.R.F. Fares may go up if the tax remains the same, but this is something the public find difficulty in grasping, in spite of considerable propaganda by the bus operators. If a fall in road haulage rates follows a tax cut, the impact upon the public will be negligible, for most people are unaware of the part that transport plays in determining the price of goods in the shops.

Whatever his private opinion on the justification for a special duty merely on the fuels used for road transport, the Chancellor is unlikely to repudiate his lucrative legacy from the past. There is more hope that he will see reason about purchase tax.



This Commer is one of two which shuttle between Slough and South Wales. Cut parts are taken on westward journeys and completed wear on the return.

Garment Makers Link Dispersed Production Points by Road Transport and Speed Consignments With Weekly Service

NTENSIVE operation of a small ancillary fleet has contributed to a twelvefold increase in turnover by Berlei (U.K.), Ltd., in as many years. Speed of delivery, as achieved by a weekly round-Britain service, is important to the company in competing against other makers of foundation garments, and substantial savings have also resulted from being able to pick up factory materials on return journeys rather than employ public transport.

The company have their main factory at Slough, Bucks, with two satellite workshops in nearby West Drayton Materials are Maidenhead. brought to Slough for cutting, the stitching being done in South Wales. A factory was opened in Ebbw Vale in 1947 and another in New Tredegar

a few years later.

Works had to be set up so far from Slough because of the availability of suitable labour in South Wales, and the difficulty of obtaining it in Slough, where there are many factories which offer light work for women.

200-mile Route

Two Commer long-wheelbase 7tonners shuttle between Slough and South Wales. The vehicles are based at the ends of the 200-mile route, each making a round trip weekly. The cycle begins on Tuesday mornings, and the vans are back at their bases on Thursdays at midday. Drivers change vehicles halfway at Northleach.

The company use light wooden boxes measuring 2 ft. by 1 ft. 6 in. by 1 ft. deep to carry cut materials on westward journeys and completed garments packed loose are transported back to Slough, where they are cartoned. About 1,000 boxes are in circulation. The size was chosen as being not too unwieldy for a girl to

Fabric and elastic parts, and metal

Small Fleet Delivers Countrywide

By Alan Smith, F.R.S.A.

fasteners, are bundled in lots of 50, and a box is filled with five bundles ready for the factory operatives. A colour code is applied to the dispatch of the containers to the South Wales destinations, and to other workshops.

The vans have composite bodywork with rear and side entrances. Boxes for Ebbw Vale, the first call, are placed at the rear and those for New Tredegar at the front, and each lot is taken into and out of the body through the appropriate aperture. The rear opening is 3 ft. wide and the doors, when opened, do not exceed the width of the van.

The older of the vans was bought in June, 1956, from Hewen's Garage, Ltd., Maidenhead, and has Reall bodywork which was built to a lightweight specification. When the second vehicle was purchased (from Davenport, Vernon and Co., Ltd., High Wycombe) in August of the following year, the Saunders body was constructed rather more robustly.

This model is about a ton heavier



Two Morris 12-ton vans are based at Slough and for three days a week run between there and two nearby factories. On Wednesdays and Fridays, however, they deliver finished goods to customers in the London area. Elsewhere the company chiefly distribute through parcels carriers.

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than the earlier van and has an overdrive gearbox, the use of which has offset any deterioration in fuel consumption which might have been expected because of the greater weight. Both vehicles average 20.5 m.p.g.

After calling at the South Wales factories the Slough-based van collects elastic in Swansea before returning. It is reckoned that 2d. a yd. is saved in packaging costs and the extra expense which public transport would involve by being able to pick up the material under C licence. The elastic is brought to Slough, and some is sent from there to Portsmouth, where there is a subsidiary concern making products under the Berlei label as well as their own brand name.

The van goes to Portsmouth on

Glasgow-Manchester stretch is the only section of the tour run empty, for fabrics are picked up in Manchester, and on the return to Slough a call is made at Derby to collect elastic, and another at Leicester for steel fasteners.

Goods collected in Manchester used to cost £7 a ton for delivery to Slough, and the transport of fasteners from Leicester previously presented a packaging and return-of-empties problem.

The round trip, the calls on which can be made quickly, is finished on Thursday after 870 miles have been clocked. The service has been run for just over a year, the Avenger being introduced to it last July.

Deliveries to Scotland used to take

and even the Avenger carries only about 5 tons. Davenport, Vernon and Co., who

supplied the Avenger, service all the vehicles at fortnightly intervals. At Slough there are no fleet installations other than washing facilities, availed of once a week, and a 2,000-gal, tank for oil fuel. This and a similar petrol tank for Berlei's cars are filled by Shell-Mex and B.P., Ltd.

Vans are consistently busy throughout the year, except for a slack period when shops have their winter sales. Opportunity was taken just after last Christmas to decarbonize the oldest Commer, which by then had covered 80,000 miles, and this was the first attention of any consequence it had

received.

The job was done more as a precaution than as a necessity. Similarly, the India tyres were retreaded, although an estimated 10,000 miles of wear remained. The Avenger returns a fractionally better fuel-consumption figure than the other two vans. All have cab

Based on an Avenger chassis, this van makes an 870-mile trip around Britain every week, delivering goods to depots and bringing back materials to Slough.
The industrial truck is a Lister.



Fridays and brings back finished products. The subsidiary have a big market in Scotland for the wear sold under their own brand name, and their goods augment the load of Berlei garments on a van which the Slough factory sends north each week.

This is a Commer Avenger passenger chassis with Saunders bodywork. The vehicle is 30 ft. long and 8 ft. wide and has a rear well and overdrive transmission. Loaded on a Saturday ready to leave early on Monday, its first stop is Leicester, where it delivers local consignments at the depot of the Atlas Express Co., Ltd., who undertake the final distribution to customers.

The next call is at the Mansfield warehouse of a group of stores in that area, and from there the van continues to Ripponden, to deliver goods for dispatch by Ripponden Motors, Ltd., and on to the Atlas depot at Bishop Auckland.

On Tuesday, the van heads for Glasgow, where Atlas have another depot. and thence south for Manchester, which is reached on Wednesday after an overnight stop at Kendal. The

is achieved.

Deliveries to customers in the London area may, however, conveniently be done by two Morris 11ton oil-engined vans which are employed on runs between Slough and the two nearby factories for most of the week, but undertake deliveries on Wednesdays and Fridays. One has an extended wheelbase. Loads are bulky,

10 days, whereas they are now done in two. Apart from the delivery in Mansfield, Berlei do not deliver direct to customers. The services of carriers are preferred, and a rational balance between ancillary and public transport

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OPERATORS concerned with export and import traffic through London will find "London Wharves and Docks" an invaluable helpmeet. It contains a list of wharves and docks and maps showing their locations.

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heaters and radio, also long-range fuel tanks which avoid need to buy fuel away from base.

Having improved the manner in which their goods are shifted from Slough, Mr. K. J. Burley, managing director, told me that the company now intend to introduce better internal means for handling and sorting goods ready for dispatch, so that the two phases of movement may be better synchronized. The aim will be to pack production overnight.

A new warehouse, 90 yd. long and 50 ft. wide, will be built adjacent to the factory. Two-tiered stillages about 5 ft. long will be used to bring cartoned goods out of the factory, a Lister elevating truck with towing attachment being employed to draw them on trailers into the southern end of the building. Here the stillages will be elevated to an upper floor where the goods will be held, in the stillages, as bulk stock.

At ground level will be rows of fixed racks arranged according to sizes of garments, and these will be replenished from the bulk stock. The racks will be 8 ft. high and disposed across the floor, and a conveyor will run along the west wall so that the sorters may place cartons for transit to the bay at the northern end of the building. Here the cartons will be made up into consignments to be put into the vehicles at the loading bank.

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Increased Fares for Ribble: Crosville Cuts to Draw Traffic

FARE increases designed to yield £175,000, which were sought by Ribble Motor Services, Ltd., at a joint sitting of the Northern and North Western Traffic Commissioners, have been granted, it was announced last week (*The Commercial Motor*, March 20). The Yorkshire Commissioners will hear the application early next month, but as there are no objectors in their Area and in view of the other Commissioners' decision, they have granted a dispensation for Ribble to introduce the increases on their West Riding services.

Single fares up to 10d. will not be increased except for certain 7d., 8d. and 9d. fares for which return tickets are not issued. These will be increased by 1d., and so will fares over 10d.

Return tickets now issued at less than double the single fare will be increased. Those up to 1s. 11d. will go up by 1d., 2s. to 2s. 11d. by 2d., and 3s. and over by 3d. Some new return fares will be introduced where necessary. The cost of contract tickets is also to be increased.

£110,000 Extra Wages

At the inquiry it was pointed out that Ribble had to meet £110,000 extra wages and additional National Insurance contributions of £28,000, besides making proper provision for the replacement of rolling stock.

An application to encourage the public to "leave their bikes at home" was made by Crosville Motor Services, Ltd., to the North Western Commissioners at Chester last week. Mr. G. H. P. Beames, for the company, said about 90 per cent. of the fares concerned in the application would be reduced by at least \(\frac{1}{2}\dots\), whilst the remainder would be raised. Since 1951, traffic had been decreasing and the company now wished to create new business and keep it.

The application affected 245 licences. There had been no objections from 101 local authorities or from 68 other operators who had been notified. A number of additional return fares would be introduced, and new stage points arranged to serve housing estates.

Mr. F. Williamson, chairman, granting the application, said it represented a bold experiment which he hoped would have the desired effect in obtaining more traffic.

Bristol to Apply

The Bristol Omnibus Co., Ltd., have decided to apply to the Western Commissioners for increases (*The Commercial Motor*, last week). Mr. Ian Patey, general manager, told a meeting of Bristol Joint Omnibus Committee that if the application were granted only 17.4 per cent. of fares would be affected—those over 4s.

Glasgow ratepayers and tenants' associations put up strong opposition when Glasgow Corporation applied to the Scottish Commissioners for motorbus fare increases last week. Mr. A. M. G. Russell, for the corporation, claimed that there could be no other solution to

the estimated loss of £689,000 on the present financial year.

The corporation proposed to abolish 4d. and 6d. tickets and to increase the maximum fare from 8d. to 10d. A new mileage scale would mean an increase of 1d. and, in some cases, 2d. on present fares. They also wanted to abolish the 24-journey weekly ticket costing 10s. in favour of a 12-journey weekly ticket at 8s.

Mr. Russell said the increases should yield £830,000 to offset the deficit. Last year's wage awards were costing an extra £358,000. Another reason for the loss was the high capital charges faced by the department—reinstatement of roads

cost £891,000. In addition, there was high capital expenditure through conversion from trams to buses, expenditure which would continually increase until 1963. If the application were granted, the corporation might have a surplus of £81,000.

Mr. E. R. L. Fitzpayne, general manager, said the cost of conversion from trams to buses would cost about £8,298,000. Every effort had been made to effect economies and the department had made considerable savings. For instance, the maintenance staff had been substantially reduced. The corporation proposed to continue the 1d. concessionary fare for aged people, although he himself had recommended an increase to 2d.

Objections were lodged by 20 organizations, mainly from outlying housing areas. All claimed that hardship would result. They suggested that revenue should be found from other sources.

Mr. W. Quin, chairman, said he was satisfied that there was a case, but the protests had been noted and decision would be reserved.

South Shields Transport 'Committee are recommending that scholars' fares should be increased. They do not propose to abolish the existing 2d. minimum ordinary fare for adults.

Peep at Future Bus for I.R.T.E.

DISC brakes, power-assisted steering, automatic seat indicators and television are among the features of the future bus foreseen by Mr. Ronald Cox, general manager of Rochdale Corporation Transport.

Addressing members of the East Midlands Centre of the Institute of Road Transport Engineers at their centre meeting, last week, he said the price that had to be paid for improved performance included two major items—the increase in cost and poor accessibility of engine and components.

He added that power steering was reducing the work of drivers and had brought about a great improvement in the steering of large buses. A recent welcome feature was the introduction of smaller and lighter batteries with the same capacity as earlier types. Less fortunate was the amount of repair work necessary on the "new look" radiator grilles when accidentally damaged.

Speaking at the centre's annual dinner last week, Mr. J. C. Dabbs, Ministry of Transport regional maintenance and certifying officer, said the Institute attracted practical maintenance men.

The president, Mr. G. Mackenzie Junner, pointed out that the Institute was steadily spreading its activities into allied fields, such as the prevention of accidents and it was now associated with the Royal Society of Arts. It particularly welcomed people who joined more for the benefit of the Institute and what it represented than for personal advantage.

Chief Insp. W. Spray, head of Nottingham City Police Traffic Department, said he was greatly impressed by the general state of maintenance of most commercial vehicles. The Minister of Transport, in raising the limit on heavy vehicles to 30 m.p.h., had paid a high compliment to their condition and safety. This was also extended to the passenger field with the tentative proposal of a 40 m.p.h. limit.

Employers Accused by Trolleybus Driver

WHEN a trolleybus driver employed by the Teesside Railless Traction Board was accused at South Bank-on-Tees of careless driving he alleged that drivers employed by the Board were warned that they would be dismissed if they told the police about defective brakes on their buses.

He said there had been several instances where the air brakes on trolleybuses had failed. When his bus collided with a car at a zebra crossing he stated that his brakes were defective. But his employers had advised him to make another statement to the police, saying that the car in front had pulled up too quickly.

The magistrates dismissed the charge and expressed the hope that there would be further investigation into the matter.

Mr. J. L. Flynn, manager of the Board, said later that when the man complained about his brakes a satisfactory test was made with a Union official present.

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Bird's Eye View

Pankhurst Stuff

By The Hawk

MRS. B. A. LANGDON, of Wiveliscombe, Somerset, whose death was reported by The Commercial Motor last week, must have been one of the most remarkable women connected with transport. She was not only a director of Tone Vale Transport, Ltd., but was chairman of B. A. Langdon and Sons, the largest private-enterprise egg-packing station in the west of England, which has a large C-licence fleet. Mrs. Langdon built this business up herself, starting from scratch before the 1914-18 war with the princely capital of £7 10s.

Her first vehicle was a Ford van which she bought in 1915. A few weeks afterwards a large consignment of poultry had to be delivered to the railway station and nobody was available to drive the van. On the strength of two short lessons, Mrs. Langdon decided to do the job herself. This she did with complete success, although when she returned to her premises for the second part of the load, she was forced to make a detour of several miles because she had not yet learned how to reverse the Ford.

Obtuse Decision

RAILWAY high-handedness forced Mrs. Langdon, like many another, into long-distance road haulage. The last straw involved a big consignment of chicken for a major City banquet. Clearly marked to be collected at Paddington, the poultry was sent off from Wiveliscombe on the morning of the banquet, but when the load arrived in London it was dumped on to a local delivery railway cart and dispatched. By the time the horse-drawn cart had plodded round the streets under a blazing sun for several hours the chickens were well past their best, and the caterer refused delivery.

Mrs. Langdon claimed on the Great Western Railway, but they bluntly disowned any responsibility for her heavy loss. Shortly afterwards, she bought a Chevrolet 3-tonner and began direct road deliveries to her London customers. One wonders how many hundreds of pounds in lost freight charges that obtuse decision of the Great Western has meant to them and their heirs and assigns, British Railways.

Dunno

NEW driver, in trouble on the road, was told to telephone A NEW driver, in trouble on the road and the local agent. The following conversation ensued:

- What's the trouble?"
- "Dunno."
- "What make is it?"
- " Dunno."
- "Is it an oiler?"

The owner is now wondering whether to reduce his fleet, revert to driving or assume that a replacement could not possibly be worse. Meanwhile, he "dunno," either.

Bouquet Misses

THERE is no dining-room in Bristol large enough for all those who wish to attend the annual dinner of the Road Haulage Association's Western Area, and some of the guests have to be accommodated in an annexe. At last week's dinner the relay system was unfortunately out of order and Mr.

Arthur Akers, who was host in the annexe, was unable to hear himself described by Mr. R. Morton Mitchell, the chief executive officer, as "probably the best area secretary" in the Association. Members warmly applauded the sentiment. When I told him what he had missed, he chuckled and modestly said he didn't believe it.

Foursome

THE national chairman usually attends the Western Area dinner, but there were four R.H.A. functions last week and Mr. R. N. Ingram was a guest at Hull, Mr. Morton Mitchell, who appeared in his stead, made the nearest thing to a by-election speech I have ever heard at a transport function and the members obviously approved of it.

Good Example

MR. C. J. HORSLEY, Fry's transport manager and chairman of the Western Area of the Traders' Road Transport Association, is gratified by the reception given locally to the "Kerb Space is Precious" campaign, although it is too early to judge the practical results.

He believes that much can be done to reduce waiting time at the roadside by carefully loading vehicles in delivery order and prominently identifying each consignment. He certainly practises what he preaches. For instance, all consignments leaving Fry's are serially numbered in delivery order and are loaded accordingly. This is a tip worth following.

Telly Ho!

THE campaign received a boost last week, when it was 1 featured by B.B.C. television. The narrow main streets of Richmond, Surrey, were the subject of an investigation of the problems of a crowded shopping centre used by through traffic. Mr. R. E. G. Brown, secretary of the London and Home Counties Division of the T.R.T.A., and Mr. Loving, the Association's public relations officer, were interviewed, along with shopkeepers and lorry drivers.

Hugging His Chains

THE "only man in the gathering to wear chains in fine weather," as he put it, performed the official opening of the Automobile Association's new regional headquarters in Manchester last week. He was the Lord Mayor of Manchester. Ald. J. E. Fitzsimons, whose business interests lie in tyre distri-

Manchester's Information Service has recently been at some pains to establish that city in the public's mind as second only to London. A new statistical leaflet points out that the custom of assessing priority on the basis of resident population is apt to produce curious results. For instance, London, with a resident population of 5,324 would rate pretty low. But it is the population within an accepted radius that makes the City of London the largest in the country. On the radius basis Manchester is a sure second.

Incidentally, Manchester has more cars per head of population than any other city, including London, which is why its traffic is so congested.

SPECIAL door-to-door service for A elderly and infirm churchgoers at Calderhead, Scotland, operated by Frank Galloway and Sons, Shotts, was criticized last week by the Scottish Traffic Commissioners. Mr. W. F. Quin, chairman, said the concern should have known that their service was illegal, and they ought to have advised the Calderhead Congregational Church authorities about this.

The Rev. Frank Porter said the church had asked Galloway's to provide a service for people who found it difficult to get

Church Bus Service Was Illegal

about. Galloway's were paid a flat rate and fares were collected on the bus by a member of the church. After discovering that the arrangement was illegal it had been decided to approach the Commissioners to regularize the position.

Mr. Quin pointed out that regular travel facilities were being provided each week for the same people who paid fares.

Galloway's should have known it was irregular and advised the church authorities.

The application was opposed by the Central S.M.T. Co., Ltd., who claimed that they would be pleased to meet churchgoers' needs.

Refusing the application, Mr. Quin said it would be difficult to define "infirm" people for transport purposes, and the Commissioners were satisfied that the objectors could meet the church's requirements.

Planning for Profit

PROBLEM regarding the use of rebated oil fuel is raised by a concern of quarry owners. For some years they have been operating an old petrol-engined lorry to carry blocks of stone from quarry to sawmills. This has now been replaced by an oil-engined vehicle on which they have replaced the body and tipping gear by a platform of railway sleepers. In addition, they also operate a number of oil-engined dumpers which are propelled by rebated oil fuel and they ask whether it is in order to use the same fuel for the converted oil-engined lorry, particularly as it is operated entirely on private property and is neither licensed nor insured.

Although there would appear to be some justification for it, they would be committing an offence in using rebated oil fuel under such conditions. As provided by Sections 199-202 of the Customs and Excise Act, 1952, full duty must be paid on fuel oil used for a goods vehicle. This duty must be paid irrespective of the work on which the vehicle is employed and

whether on public roads or not.

Vehicles which may use rebated oil as fuel are those not

"WE are considering purchasing a maximum-load tractor unit in conjunction with three low-loading semi-trailers. We intend having one semi-trailer en route, one loading and the other off-loading, and three return trips of 400 miles are expected to be averaged each week. We understand the tractor unit will cost around £3,675 and the semi-trailers £1,500 each. Could you give us some indication what the operating cost is likely to be?" writes another reader.

With an unladen weight of around $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{3}{4}$ tons, the annual licence duty will amount to £125, or 50s. per week. Wages, based on R.H.(64) Grade 1 areas, are reckoned at £9 19s. 10d. and rent and rates add a further 15s. per week. Vehicle insurance is calculated to cost £2 10s. per week, whilst interest at 3 per cent. on the total cost of the tractor unit and three semi-trailers would be £4 18s. Total standing costs would amount to £20 12s. 10d. per week, or 4.13d. per mile on the

basis of a 1,200-mile week.

Assuming oil fuel is purchased in bulk at 3s. 10d, per gallon and a consumption rate of 9 m.p.g. is averaged, the fuel cost per mile would amount to 5.11d. Lubricants are reckoned at 0.27d. and tyres at 5.63d. Maintenance adds a further 2.38d. per mile and depreciation 7.86d. The depreciation figure is

REBATED OIL FUEL

designed for carrying goods and which fall into the categories specified in Section 4 of the Act. In addition to those employed for agricultural purposes and special types, such as mobile cranes, mowing machines and road rollers, vehicles designed, constructed and used for trench digging or any kind of excavating or shovelling work may be run on rebated oil when used for that purpose and not carrying or hauling loads.

If, by reason of its description or use, a vehicle falls into a category to which licence duty at a higher rate than £2 a year is applicable, but is exempted from licence duty because the distance run on the road does not exceed, in the aggregate, six miles per week, full duty must be paid on all oil used as

The penalties are heavy for the misuse of rebated oil. At the option of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise, the penalties can be equal to three times the value of the oil concerned, which is also liable to forfeiture or, alternatively, a penalty of £100.

affected by the high initial outlay of more than £8,000. The total for the five items of running cost is 21,25d., which, when added to the standing cost per mile of 4,13d., gives a total operating cost per mile of 25,38d. for a 1,200-mile week.

THE effect of the law on drivers' hours on the use of salesmen's vans is the subject of a reader's inquiry. The vehicles operate under C licences and the salesmen are employed six days a week. Understandably, their working day depends to a large extent on their customers' convenience, particularly as they are primarily salesmen rather than delivery men. Consequently, it is common practice for them to take an occasional cup of tea as refreshment, when the occasion permits, without having a full meal break.

At the end of the day, after parking their vans they cash-in, make out their orders for the following day and discuss any

problems with the sales manager.

The reader asks whether they are keeping within the law if the total rest period during the day adds up to half an hour or more and whether, if their 11-hour spell is completed when they park their vans, the additional work they do could be considered as driving time.

Because the vans carry goods in connection with their trade they must be regarded as goods vehicles and the driver must observe Section 19 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930. This stipulates that no one may drive for more than 5½ hours without having at least half an hour for rest and refreshment. It is, however, possible for this break to be taken on the vehicle, provided that the driver has some refreshment with him.

Should a breach of the regulations occur, the employer, as well as the driver, can be charged with the offence. It is the employer's responsibility to bring the regulations to the notice of his drivers and to insist that they should be carried out. Failure to take positive action, such as a warning, suspension or even dismissal of the person concerned, might well be considered as condoning the offence.

Any time spent by a driver on work in connection with the vehicle or its load is construed as driving time. It has, however, been decided that a driver who.



Seen carrying loads of ensilage over a flooded road bridge in Southern Rhodesia, this Albion Reiver and old Leyland are operated by Chipoli (Pvt.), Ltd., who have a citrus estate 12 miles from the railhead at Shamva. The Albion does all the road work to the railhead, and the Leyland the "donkey work" on the estate. Both shift a variety of loads including citrus, tobacco, maize and fodder.

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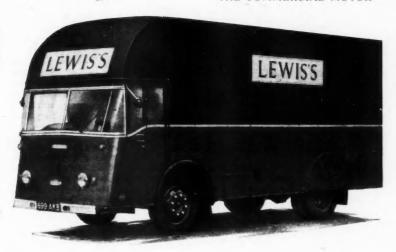
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This Dennis Stork is one of a fleet supplied to Lewis's, Ltd., Liverpool, by Perris and Kearon, Ltd. It has operatorbuilt bodywork incorporating plastics panels and jack-knife doors. The engine is a flat P6.

A Miscellany of Questions and Answers, including an indication of the Costs of Running "Artics," the Problem of Drivers' Hours, and the Matter of Fuel Duty



-When Can It Be Used?

after a period of driving, assisted porters and sorters in unloading vans was not doing "other work" in connection with a vehicle or its load. It would, therefore, appear that, once the salesmen have parked their vehicles, their spell of driving could be deemed to have ended.

Although no one may drive for a total of more than 11 hours in a 24-hour period, and must subsequently have 10 consecutive hours' rest, this 11-hour spell of driving can be spread over a maximum of 14 hours, always provided that there is a break of at least half an hour after any 54-hour period of driving.

If excess hours are worked at any time, a driver will not be convicted if he can prove there was unavoidable delay in the completion of his journey arising out of circumstances which could not reasonably have been conceived. It is hardly necessary to point out that this concession applies only to the most exceptional circumstances.

DISCREPANCIES in the designation of small passenger vehicles are criticized by a prospective user. Whilst it is generally understood that the description, four-, five- or six-seat car, is meant to imply that the stated seating capacity includes the driver, this does not apply with normal public service vehicles. He quotes the 44-seat single-decker as capable of carrying, seated, 44 fare-paying passengers in addition to the driver and possibly conductor.

He suggests that small buses should be similarly described. He complains that at present some are termed 12-seaters, but can only carry 11 fare-paying passengers.

Whilst it must be conceded that there is some lack of uniformity, it must be admitted that the line of demarcation between the various sizes of passenger vehicle is not as clear-cut as that between goods vehicles. This is because it is common practice for coachbuilders to fit various single-or double-deck bodies to their own specifications on similar chassis.

The same reader also asks whether a small bus, such as a 12-seater already licensed to operate on public service, could be used occasionally as personal transport by the holder of the licence for the conveyance of his wife and family.

Assuming that such a vehicle was already classified as a hackney carriage, the rate of duty paid would be greater than that for an ordinary private car. If, for example, the so-called 12-seater did in fact provide accommodation for only 11 passengers, the annual duty would be £18. In that event, the vehicle could be used for ordinary private and domestic purposes without incurring any liability to additional duty and without the need for "private" to be included in the specifica-

tion. Operators should, however, satisfy themselves that the insurance policy covers the use for "private" as well as "hackney purposes."

"WHAT are the offences for which a driver must be disqualified or have his licence endorsed, and how does one apply to remove disqualification?" In answering this inquiry, the distinction between what may and what must be ordered should be clearly understood.

Altogether there are 12 offences for which courts may disqualify a driver. They include driving (or employing a person to drive) without a licence; applying for or obtaining a licence, or driving, while disqualified; any speeding offence; manslaughter or deliberately causing bodily harm; reckless, dangerous, careless or inconsiderate driving; driving, attempting to drive or being in charge under the influence of drink or drugs; using a motor vehicle without a test certificate if the vehicle is one that must be tested; failure to conform with traffic signs or the direction of a policeman; using an overfloaded or improperly loaded vehicle, or one with inadequate or defective brakes, steering or tyres; and any offence in relation to compulsory third-party insurance or lighting.

In addition, courts must disqualify for a period of at least 12 months when the person is convicted of any of the following four offences, unless there are any "special reasons" connected with the commission of the offence: (1) Driving or attempting to drive under the influence of drink or a drug. (2) For the second or subsequent convictions of being in charge of a motor vehicle when under the influence. (3) Promoting or taking part in a motor race or speed trial on a public highway. (4) The second or subsequent conviction within three years for reckless or dangerous driving, the minimum period of disqualification then being nine months.

If a driver has been disqualified for less than a year he may apply to the same court at any time after six months, but not before, to have his disqualification removed. For longer periods application may be made after half the period has elapsed but with a minimum of a year. If such a request is refused, a further application may be made after three months.

Endorsement of licences must be ordered for the following offences: (1) Dangerous driving. (2) Careless driving, unless there are special reasons. (3) Speeding, also unless there are special reasons. (4) Any offence where the disqualification is ordered.

"Special reasons" must relate to the particular offence. They would not include such general supporting evidence as the driver's previously clean record or the importance of his job. Endorsement lasts for three years for all offences except speeding, for which it is limited to one year S.B.

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Transport Tribunal

Appeal Over Change of Base Allowed

THE Transport Tribunal on Monday allowed an appeal by Wright Bros. (Wolverhampton), Ltd., against a decision by the West Midland Licensing Authority. who had refused them a special A licence for two vehicles to be based at Wolverhampton in place of a special A licence for the same vehicles at present based at Bristol.

Mr. R. Sneath, general manager of a group of four companies, including Wright Bros., said the Authority had refused the application on the ground that, from a base in Wolverhampton, the company could not substantially serve the Western Area.

The company were appealing because he had granted a special A licence for vehicles at Wolverhampton previously serving the Stratford (London) and Cardiff areas when owned by the British Transport Commission. He had done this on receiving an assurance from Wright Bros. that they would serve these areas from Wolverhampton.

Therefore, if the company were able to carry out that undertaking, they were equally able to carry out a similar undertaking to serve the Western area with the

two vehicles under consideration. He added: "We are in the area of the Black Country, the busiest area in the country, and more and more traffic is becoming available for these types of vehicle every day."

Mr. Sneath agreed with the president, Sir Hubert Hull, that his only ground for saying that the Authority's decision was wrong was that he had been much kinder to the company on two previous occasions.

Mr. Sneath added that if the Authority was right in his two previous decisions then he was being inconsistent with the present one.

Announcing that the appeal succeeded, Sir Hubert Hull said it might have succeeded at an earlier date but for some discussions as to whether the vehicles had, in fact, been used by the B.T.C.

Hauliers' Appeal for **Tippers Succeeds**

AN appeal by a Newcastle-under-Lyme haulage concern whose loads—largely bones and butchers' offal-were described by their counsel, Mr. J. R. C. Samuel-Gibbon, as "somewhat unattractive to others," was allowed by the Transport Tribunal in London on Monday.

The hearing followed the Midland Licensing Authority's refusal to grant D Cattell and Sons, Silverdale, Newcastle, an A licence for four vehicles weighing 16 tons unladen.

Mr. Samuel-Gibbon said they had offered to surrender their present fourvehicle contract A licence. Two of these lorries were sided "flats" and two were tippers. Cattell's wanted them all to be tippers.

The application had been made at the request of British Glues and Chemicals, Ltd., whose policy was to stop using contract vehicles. For them Cattell's carried loads-largely bones and butchers' waste-which were somewhat unattractive to British Road Services. They also hauled return loads for the company.

Contending that the Licensing Authority's decision was justified, Mr. J. Edward Jones, for the British Transport Commission, said Cattell's had made no attempt to prove a need for return loads. B.R.S. and some other hauliers, when their licences came up for renewal, made a practice of specifying all the traffic they had been carrying.

The application was supported by a single customer and no question of economy could arise from the earnings figures submitted at the local hearing.

Announcing the Tribunal's decision, Sir Hubert Hull, president, said it was right that applications of this kind should be very narrowly scrutinized. It should not be open for a person having arranged a contract with a customer to treat these arrangements as providing an open door for an easy application for an A licence. However, in this case, Cattell's were entitled to the grant.

Competition Severe in Paper Trade

SEVERE competition in the paper trade was mentioned when Mr. W. Kirk, Bollington, appealed against a decision of the North Western Deputy Licensing Authority. He had been refused an A licence for three vehicles, but the Tribunal granted him two vehicles, at present on B licence.

Mr. Philip Kershaw, for Mr. Kirk, said he was willing to surrender his twovehicle B licence and cease hiring a vehicle under a C-hiring allowance.

The application arose, he explained, because Henry and Leigh Slater, Ltd., Bollington, for whom Mr. Kirk had carried paper for the past 30 years, wanted cheaper transport rates. With an A licence, Mr. Kirk would be able to carry return loads.

The two businesses had grown up together and Mr. Kirk, against the wish of the customer, was now in grave danger of losing the traffic.

"The reason is not far to seek," said Mr. Kershaw. "Competition in the paper trade has grown so severe that Slater's have gone to great length to effect economies. They did not say in terms of a threat what would happen to the appellant if he cannot reduce his rates, but they are insistent that they should get cheaper transport."

No other trader would be affected if the required licence were granted.

Mr. J. Edward Jones, for the British Transport Commission, said they were doing the same type of work as Mr. Kirk and were prepared to undertake more. It was almost certain that the railways would lose return traffic if it were made possible for Mr. Kirk to reduce his rates.

Because of acute pressure on space it has been necessary to hold over the review of new patents which normally occupies this page.

Micrograms . . .

Rocol Move: The London office of Rocol Ltd., will be moved on Monday to General Buildings, Aldwych, W.C.2.

Sales Cup Winners: Blue Peter Retreads. Ltd., have presented the Blue Peter Sales Cup to the Western Tyre Co., Shrewsbury.

Capasco Move: The Scottish area office of the Cape Asbestos Co., Ltd., is now at Hobden Street, Petershill Road, Glasgow,

Automatic Loadmaster: Fully automatic transmission incorporating a torque con-verter is now available on the Chaseside Loadmaster shovel.

Portsmouth Campaign: The "Kerb Space is Precious" campaign was welcomed at Portsmouth, last week, by the Chief Con-table, Supt. R. Saunders.

R.H.A. Dinner Dance: The North Western (Western) Area of the Road Haulage Association will hold a dinner and dance at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Southport, on April 4.

T.R.T.A. Meeting: The annual meeting of the London and Home Counties Division of the Traders' Road Transport Association will be held on April 16 at the Criterion Restaurant, Piccadilly.

German Exports: Western Germany exported 130,945 vehicles in January and February, compared with 119,428 in the first two months of 1958. Production at 265,739 units rose by 8½ per cent.

Flyover Grant: The Minister of Transport hopes soon to grant over £1m. towards the cost of a flyover at Hammersmith. The rest of the Cromwell Road extension scheme should be completed by the autumn.

No Opinion Yet: The Road Transport Section of Liverpool Chamber of Commerce have decided to defer publication of a memorandum giving their opinion of renationalization plans for road transport.

Coach Guides: British and overseas agents for London Coastal Coaches, Ltd., are being sent the first edition of an L.C.C. Express Service Guide. The organization plan to distribute 2,500 copies, and are hoping to produce a winter edition.

Trico in Australia: Trico Pty., Ltd., have built a new factory in Australia which covers 5½ acres and will employ about 200 people. The initial production will be curved windscreen wiper blades and arms for the Australian vehicle industry.

No More Concessions: West Hartlepool Transport Committee have decided to with-draw their support for Newcastle Corporadraw their support for Newcastle Corpora-tion's bid to extend concessionary bus fares. At present, only blind people are allowed free travel at West Hartlepool.

Motorbuses Take Over: Trolleybuses on five services operated by Brighton, Hove and District Transport Co. were replaced on Wednesday by motorbuses. Brighton's passenger transport system was fully described in *The Commercial Motor* on February 6.

More A.E.C.s Wanted: Six more A.E.C. single-deckers are being delivered to the Devon General Omnibus Co., Ltd., who already have over 250 A.E.C.s in operation. The new vehicles, with Willowbrook 41-seat bodies, have synchromesh gearboxes and vacuum brakes.

Can Reconditioning: Recontainers, Ltd., has been formed by J. E. Lesser and Son, Ltd., Green Lane, Hounslow, Middx, to market reconditioned jerricans in this country and abroad. The new company will also market the aluminium ierrican pourer made by Lesser.

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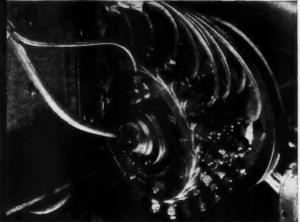
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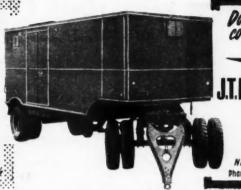
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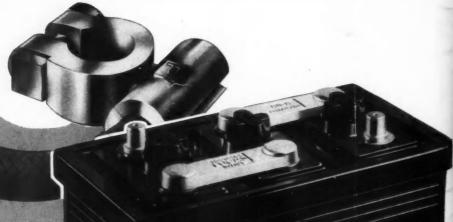
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